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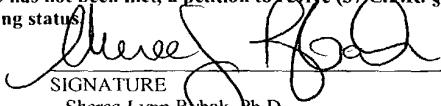
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please enter this amendment before the fees are calculated.

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 1, line 2 under the title, insert the following paragraph:

--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This is the National Stage of International Application No. PCT/US00/27210, filed October 2, 2000, which in turn claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No: 60/157,341, filed October 1, 1999.--

Please amend the claims as follows. Claims that have not been amended are denoted as reiterated for the examiner's convenience.

1. (Reiterated) A purified protein having mannosidase activity, comprising an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOS: 3, 6 and 18;
- (b) an amino acid sequence that differs from those specified in (a) by one or more conservative amino acid substitutions; and

(c) amino acid sequences having at least 60% sequence identity to the sequences specified in (a).

2. (Reiterated) A specific binding agent, that binds to the purified protein of claim 1.

3. (Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding the protein of claim 1.

4. (Amended) A recombinant nucleic acid molecule, comprising a promoter sequence operably linked to the nucleic acid of claim 3.

5. (Amended) A cell, transformed with the recombinant nucleic acid molecule of claim 4.

6. (Amended) The transformed cell of claim 5, wherein the cell is an insect cell, a yeast cell, an algae cell, a bacterial cell, a mammalian cell, or a plant cell.

7. (Amended) A transgenic fungus, comprising the recombinant nucleic acid of claim 4.

8. (Amended) A method for altering a glycosylation pattern of a macromolecule, comprising contacting the macromolecule with the purified protein of claim 1.

9. (Reiterated) The method of claim 8, wherein contacting the macromolecule is performed *in vitro*.

10. (Amended) A method for producing a macromolecule having an altered glycosylation pattern, comprising allowing the transformed cell of claim 4 to produce the macromolecule.

11. (Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule, comprising a sequence selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) at least 20 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1;
- (b) at least 30 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1;
- (c) at least 40 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1;
- (d) at least 15 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 4;
- (e) at least 20 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 4;
- (f) at least 30 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 4;
- (g) at least 40 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 4;
- (h) at least 50 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 4; and
- (i) at least 50 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1.

12. (Amended) A method for altering a glycosylation pattern of a macromolecule in a sample, comprising:

- (a) adding the purified protein of claim 1 to the sample;
- (b) incubating the sample with the purified protein; and
- (c) allowing the purified protein to hydrolytically remove at least one terminal mannose residue from a macromolecule in the sample.

13. (Amended) A method for identifying a nucleic acid sequence encoding a mannosidase, comprising:

- (a) hybridizing the nucleic acid sequence under high-stringency conditions to the nucleic acid molecule of claim 11; and
- (b) identifying the nucleic acid sequence as one that encodes a mannosidase.

14. (Reiterated) A mannosidase identified by the method of claim 13.

Please add the following new claims:

15. (New) The purified protein of claim 1, wherein the amino acid sequence comprises at least 70% sequence identity.

16. (New) The purified protein of claim 1, wherein the amino acid sequence comprises at least 80% sequence identity.

17. (New) The purified protein of claim 1, wherein the amino acid sequence comprises at least 90% sequence identity.

18. (New) The purified protein of claim 1, wherein the amino acid sequence comprises at least 95% sequence identity.

19. (New) The method of claim 8, wherein contacting the macromolecule is performed *in vivo*.

REMARKS

By this amendment, claims 3-8 and 10-13 are amended and claims 15-19 are added. Therefore, claims 1-19 are now pending.

In addition, the cross-reference to related applications was added to the specification by this amendment.

Claims 3-5, 7, 8, 12 were amended to clarify the antecedent basis.

Claim 6 was amended to correctly depend from claim 5.

Claims 4, 6 and 10 were amended to remove unnecessary claim language.

Claim 11 was amended to clarify the claim. Support can be found on page 4, lines 19-23 and page 11, lines 1-3.

Claim 13 was amended to depend from claim 11 and to clarify the claim. Support can be found on page 11, line 29- page 12, line 28.

Claims 15-19 were added. Support for these claims can be found in the specification as follows:

Claims 15-18: page 7, lines 14-23; and

Claim 19: page 27, line 18- page 28, line 6.

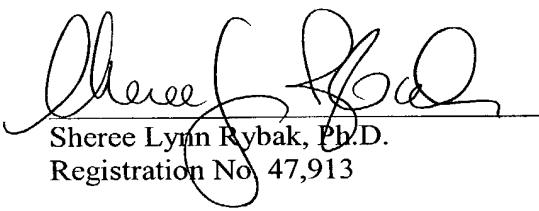
Therefore, no new matter is added by this amendment.

If there are any questions regarding this amendment, please telephone the undersigned at the telephone number below.

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**Marked-up Version of Amended Claims and Specification
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.121(b)-(c)**

In the specification, page 1, line 2 under the title, insert the following paragraph:

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In the claims:

3. (Amended) An isolated nucleic acid[,] molecule encoding [a] the protein [according to] of claim 1.

4. (Amended) A recombinant nucleic acid molecule, comprising a promoter sequence operably linked to [a] the nucleic acid [sequence according to] of claim 3.

5. (Amended) A cell, transformed with [a] the recombinant nucleic acid molecule [according to] of claim 4.

6. (Amended) The transformed cell of claim [6] 5, wherein the cell is [selected from the group consisting of:] an insect cell, a yeast cell, an algae cell, a bacterial cell, a mammalian cell, [and] or a plant cell.

7. (Amended) A transgenic fungus, comprising [a] the recombinant nucleic acid [according to] of claim 4.

8. (Amended) A method for altering [the] a glycosylation pattern of a macromolecule, comprising contacting the macromolecule with [a] the purified protein [according to] of claim 1.

10. (Amended) A method for producing a macromolecule having an altered glycosylation pattern, comprising[:

- (a) providing a transformed cell according to claim 4; and
- (b)] allowing the transformed cell of claim 4 to produce the macromolecule.

11. (Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule, comprising a sequence selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) [at least 15 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1;
- (b)] at least 20 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1;
- [(c)] (b) at least 30 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1;
- (c) at least 40 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1;
- (d) at least 15 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 4;
- (e) at least 20 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 4;
- (f) at least 30 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 4;
- (g) at least [15] 40 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: [17]
4;
- (h) at least [20] 50 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: [17]
4; and
- (i) at least [30] 50 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: [17]
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- (a) adding [a] the purified protein [according to] of claim 1 to the sample;
- (b) incubating the sample with the purified protein; and
- (c) allowing the purified protein to hydrolytically remove at least one terminal mannose residue from a macromolecule in the sample.

13. (Amended) A method for [isolating] identifying a nucleic acid sequence encoding a mannosidase, comprising:

(a) hybridizing the nucleic acid sequence under high-stringency conditions to the nucleic acid molecule of claim 11 [at least 50 contiguous nucleotides of a sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOS: 1, 4, and 17]; and

(b) identifying the nucleic acid sequence as one that encodes a mannosidase.

15. (New) The purified protein of claim 1, wherein the amino acid sequence comprises at least 70% sequence identity.

16. (New) The purified protein of claim 1, wherein the amino acid sequence comprises at least 80% sequence identity.

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MANNOSIDASES AND METHODS FOR USING SAME

Field of the Invention

The invention relates to mannosidases and methods of using mannosidases
5 for altering the glycosylation pattern of macromolecules.

Background

The N-linked protein glycosylation pathways are fairly well characterized in higher eukaryotes (Kornfeld and Kornfeld, *Ann. Rev. Biochem.* **54**:631-664, 1985),
10 however, less is known about such pathways in lower eukaryotes. What is known about protein glycosylation in lower eukaryotes has come largely from studies of the yeast *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* and may not be sufficient to describe N-linked glycosylation in other lower eukaryotes, such as filamentous fungi.

Evolutionary studies suggest that the filamentous ascomycetes diverged from yeasts from 400 million years ago (Berbee and Taylor, *Mol. Biol. Evol.* **9**:278-284, 1992) to 1 billion years ago, the latter being about the time the fungal branch split from plants and animals (Doolittle et al., *Science* **271**:470-477, 1996). Filamentous fungi produce N-glycan structures that appear to be different than those produced in yeast, suggesting a different mode of formation of these structures than in yeast.
15 Studies have shown the presence in filamentous fungi of N-glycan structures containing five mannose units ($\text{Man}_5\text{GlcNAc}_2$), suggesting processing of a $\text{Man}_5\text{GlcNAc}_2$ precursor (Mares et al., *Eur. J. Biochem.* **245**:617-625, 1997; Chiba et al., *Curr. Microbiol.* **27**:281-288, 1993). The mechanisms of synthesis of high mannose N-glycans in filamentous fungi seem to differ from corresponding
20 mechanisms in yeast, and may be more similar to processes in higher eukaryotes. Full characterization of the N-glycosylation pathways in these organisms is very important, since protein glycosylation plays an integral role in processes such as pathogenicity and protein secretion.

The early steps of the asparagine-linked (N-linked) protein glycosylation
30 pathways are similar in higher and lower eukaryotes (see reviews in Kornfeld and Kornfeld, *Ann. Rev. Biochem.* **54**:631-664, 1985; Moreman et al., *Glycobiol.* **4**:113-125, 1994; Herscovics and Orlean, *FASEB J.* **7**:540-550, 1993; Herscovics, *Biochim.*

Biophys. Acta **1426**:275-285, 1999). Initially, an oligosaccharide precursor consisting of three glucose, nine mannose, and two N-acetylglucosamine molecules ($\text{Glc}_3\text{Man}_9\text{GlcNAc}_2$) is co-translationally transferred to the newly synthesized polypeptide in the endoplasmic reticulum (ER). In the ER, α -glucosidases I and II first remove the three glucose molecules. In the ER and/or Golgi apparatus, α -mannosidase(s) then remove one or more of the mannose residues from the precursor. In higher eukaryotes (i.e., mammals), α -1,2-mannosidases remove a total of four mannose residues, yielding $\text{Man}_5\text{GlcNAc}_2$ which is the precursor for complex, hybrid, and high-mannose N-glycans. In the yeast *S. cerevisiae*, however, an ER-specific mannosidase, α -1,2 mannosidase, removes only a single mannose residue, producing $\text{Man}_8\text{GlcNAc}_2$ (Herscovics, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta* **1426**:275-285, 1999).

Subsequent steps in the pathways in higher and lower eukaryotes are quite different. In higher eukaryotes, following the addition of a single GlcNAc to $\text{Man}_5\text{GlcNAc}_2$ by GlcNAc transferase I (GnT I), mannosidase II removes two additional mannose groups, producing $\text{GlcNAcMan}_3\text{GlcNAc}_2$. Various transferases, such as GnT II, fucosyl transferase, galactosyl transferase, and sialyl transferase, assemble the oligosaccharide into its final structure. In higher eukaryotes a variety of different carbohydrate units can thus be attached to a common precursor to form an array of distinct N-glycans. In *S. cerevisiae*, after the removal of a single mannose, various mannosyltransferases then add additional mannose units to $\text{Man}_8\text{GlcNAc}_2$ to form large high-mannose N-glycans containing up to 13 mannose units, and even larger mannan outer chains containing up to 200 mannose residues (Herscovics and Orlean, *FASEB J.* **7**:540-550, 1993). The removal of mannose residues from the glycan chain during the initial stages of processing appears to be significantly different for higher and lower eukaryotes, resulting in quite different N-glycan structures for these organisms. Based on the evolutionary history of filamentous fungi, their N-glycan processing is likely to contain elements of the pathways in both mammals and yeast. Filamentous fungi do not produce complex N-glycans because such fungi lack the further processive transferases; however, the initial oligosaccharide precursor is trimmed to $\text{Man}_5\text{GlcNAc}_2$.

The α -mannosidases have been classified previously into two independently derived groups, Class 1 and Class 2, based on biochemical properties, substrate specificity, inhibitor profiles, and sequence alignments, (Daniel et al., *Glycobiol.* **4**:551-566, 1994; Moreman et al., *Glycobiol.* **4**:113-125, 1994; Eades et al., *Glycobiol.* **8**:17-33, 1998). The first group contains the α -1,2-mannosidases found in the ER and the Golgi apparatus, including the ER Man₉-mannosidase, ER endomannosidase, and the Golgi mannosidase I. The second group of α -mannosidases is more heterogeneous and contains the lysosomal mannosidases, the Golgi mannosidase II, and a distantly related group of enzymes, including the rat 10 ER/cytosolic mannosidase (Bischoff et al., *J. Biological Chem.* **28**:17110-17117, 1990), yeast vacuolar mannosidase (Yoshihisa and Anraku, *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Comm.* **163**:908-915, 1989), and the *A. nidulans* Class 2 mannosidase (Eades et al., *Glycobiol.* **8**:17-33, 1998).

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Summary of the Invention

The invention stems from the discovery of the amino acid sequences and corresponding nucleic acid sequences for three mannosidases. These mannosidases are particularly useful for altering the glycosylation patterns of macromolecules such as proteins. Glycosylation affects many properties of a glycoprotein, including 20 protein folding, protease resistance, intercellular trafficking, compartmentalization, secretion, inter- and intra-molecular associations, intermolecular affinities, tissue targeting and biological half-life. Glycosylation patterns may also significantly alter the biological activity, solubility, clearance, intermolecular aggregation, and antigenicity, especially for those proteins having therapeutic utility. Thus, the 25 present invention enables glycoproteins to be engineered to be more effectively used and produced.

One aspect of the present invention provides the amino acid sequences of three mannosidase proteins. The invention also provides variants of the disclosed mannosidase proteins. These variants can differ from the disclosed sequences by 30 one or more conservative amino acid substitutions. Additionally, the invention provides variants of the disclosed mannosidase proteins having at least 60% sequence identity to the disclosed mannosidase amino acid sequences.

According to another aspect of the invention, mannosidase-specific binding agents are provided. These specific binding agents bind substantially only the mannosidases and mannosidase variants described above.

According to another aspect of the invention, respective nucleic acid sequences are provided that encode the mannosidases summarized above. These nucleic acid sequences can be operably linked to control sequences and incorporated into any of various vectors. The resulting recombinant vectors are useful for transforming any of various host cells. Once transformed, the host cell can produce the mannosidases of the present invention. Host cells can be obtained from fungi, plants, bacteria, animals, yeast, and insects.

According to yet another aspect of the invention, methods are provided for altering the glycosylation pattern of target proteins using one or more of the mannosidases of the present invention. The mannosidase can be placed in contact with a protein and allowed to alter the glycosylation pattern of the protein. The methods can be practiced either *in vivo* by creating a transgenic host cell that over-expresses or under-expresses one or more of the mannosidases, or *in vitro* by first isolating one or more of the mannosidases of the present invention, and then contacting the isolated mannosidase with a target protein.

According to yet another aspect of the invention, isolated nucleic acid molecules and amino acid molecules are provided that have, by way of example, at least 15, 20, 30, 40, or 50 contiguous nucleotides or amino acid residues with the sequences shown in SEQ ID NOS: 1, 4, and 17; or the complementary strands thereof, or SEQ ID NOS: 3, 6, or 18, respectively.

Brief Description of the Drawings

Figures 1A – 1J show a DNA sequence of *A. nidulans* mannosidase 1A. The derived amino acid sequence is indicated by single-letter designations. The hydrophobic transmembrane region is indicated by a dotted underline. Upstream elements are underlined. The intron is indicated in bold type and consensus splice sites are underlined. The stop codon is indicated by a triple asterisk (***)�

Figures 2A-2G show a DNA sequence of *A. nidulans* mannosidase 1B. The derived amino acid sequence is indicated by single-letter designations. Upstream

elements are underlined. The introns are indicated in bold type and consensus splice sites are underlined. The stop codon is indicated by a triple asterisk (***).

Figure 3 shows a Kyte-Doolittle hydrophathy plot of the predicted amino acid sequences of (A) *A. nidulans* mannosidase 1A and (B) *A. nidulans* mannosidase 1B.

5 The vertical axis is the hydrophobicity of a given region of the protein (Kyte and Doolittle, *J. Mol. Biol.* 157:105-132, 1982) with positive values representing hydrophobic regions of the protein, and negative values representing hydrophilic regions of the protein.

Figure 4 shows a sequence-similarity matrix generated from the ClustalW 10 (Thompson et al., *Nucl. Acids Research* 22:4673-4680, 1994) sequence alignment of 13 Class 1 α -mannosidases and the pairwise percent similarity of the amino acid 15 sequences for all possible pairs of sequences.

Figure 5 shows a dendrogram showing sequence relationships of mannosidases. The dendrogram was generated from the ClustalW sequence 15 alignment. Three major groups of related enzymes are shown in shaded boxes.

Figures 6A and 6B show the amino acid and nucleic acid sequences of mannosidase 1C.

Sequence Listings

The nucleic and amino acid sequences listed in the accompanying sequence 20 listing are shown using standard letter abbreviations for nucleotide bases, and three-letter code for amino acids. Only one strand of each nucleic acid sequence is shown, but the complementary strand is understood as included by any reference to the displayed strand.

SEQ ID NO: 1 is the nucleic acid sequence of the mannosidase 1A gene.

25 **SEQ ID NO: 2** is the nucleic acid sequence of the mannosidase 1A cDNA.

SEQ ID NO: 3 is the deduced amino acid sequence of mannosidase 1A.

SEQ ID NO: 4 is the nucleic acid sequence of the mannosidase 1B gene.

SEQ ID NO: 5 is the nucleic acid sequence of the mannosidase 1B cDNA.

SEQ ID NO: 6 is the deduced amino acid sequence of mannosidase 1B.

30 **SEQ ID NO: 7** is a 5'-splice site sequence of the mannosidase 1A gene.

SEQ ID NO: 8 is a 5'-splice site consensus sequence of filamentous fungi.

SEQ ID NO: 9 is an internal lariat sequence of the mannosidase 1A gene.

SEQ ID NO: 10 is an internal lariat consensus sequence of filamentous fungi.

SEQ ID NO: 11 is a 5'-splice site sequence of the mannosidase 1B gene.

SEQ ID NO: 12 is an internal lariat sequence of the mannosidase 1B gene.

5 **SEQ ID NO: 13** is the amino acid sequence used to generate a forward primer.

SEQ ID NO: 14 is the amino acid sequence used to generate a reverse primer.

SEQ ID NO: 15 is a PCR primer useful for identifying mannosidases.

10 **SEQ ID NO: 16** is a PCR primer useful for identifying mannosidases.

SEQ ID NO: 17 is the nucleic acid sequence of the mannosidase 1C gene.

SEQ ID NO: 18 is the deduced amino acid sequence of mannosidase 1C.

15 **SEQ ID NO: 19** is the deduced amino acid sequence of a consensus splice site.

Detailed Description

I. Definitions

“Sequence Identity.” The similarity between two nucleic acid sequences or between two amino acid sequences is expressed in terms of the level of sequence identity shared between the sequences. Sequence identity is typically expressed in terms of percentage identity; the higher the percentage, the more similar the two sequences are.

Methods for aligning sequences for comparison purposes are well known in the art. Various programs and alignment algorithms are described in: Smith & Waterman, *Adv. Appl. Math.* **2**:482, 1981; Needleman & Wunsch, *J. Mol. Biol.* **48**:443, 1970; Pearson & Lipman, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* **85**:2444, 1988; Higgins & Sharp, *Gene* **73**:237-244, 1988; Higgins & Sharp, *CABIOS* **5**:151-153, 1989; Corpet et al., *Nucleic Acids Research* **16**:10881-10890, 1988; Huang, et al., *Computer Applications in the Biosciences* **8**:155-165, 1992; and Pearson et al., *Methods in Molecular Biology* **24**:307-331, 1994. Altschul et al., *J. Mol. Biol.*, **215**:403-410, 1990, presents a detailed consideration of sequence alignment methods and homology calculations.

The NCBI Basic Local Alignment Search Tool (BLASTTM, Altschul et al., *J. Mol. Biol.*, **215**:403-410, 1990) is available from several sources, including the National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI, Bethesda, MD) and on the Internet, for use in connection with the sequence-analysis programs blastp, blastn, 5 blastx, tblastn and tblastx. BLASTTM can be accessed on the NCBI website. A description of how to determine sequence identity using this program is available on the internet at the NCBI website.

For comparisons of amino acid sequences of greater than about 30 amino acids, the "Blast 2 sequences" function in the BLASTTM program is employed using 10 the default BLOSUM62 matrix set to default parameters, (gap existence cost of 11, and a per-residue gap cost of 1). When aligning short peptides (fewer than about 30 amino acids), the alignment should be performed using the Blast 2 sequences function, employing the PAM30 matrix set to default parameters (open gap 9, extension gap 1 penalties). Proteins with even greater similarity to the reference 15 sequences will show increasing percentage identities when assessed by this method, such as at least 45%, at least 50%, at least 60%, at least 70%, at least 75%, at least 80%, at least 85%, at least 90%, or at least 95% sequence identity.

"Substantial similarity" A first nucleic acid is "substantially similar" to a 20 second nucleic acid if, when optimally aligned (with appropriate nucleotide insertions or deletions) with the other nucleic acid (or its complementary strand), there is nucleotide sequence identity in at least about 60%, 75%, 80%, 85%, 90% or 95% of the nucleotide bases. Sequence similarity can be determined by comparing 25 the nucleotide sequences of two nucleic acids using the BLASTTM sequence analysis software (blastn) available from The National Center for Biotechnology Information. Such comparisons may be made using the software set to default 30 settings (expect = 10, filter = default, descriptions = 500 pairwise, alignments = 500, alignment view = standard, gap existence cost = 11, per residue existence = 1, per residue gap cost = 0.85). Similarly, a first polypeptide is substantially similar to a second polypeptide if it shows sequence identity of at least about 75%-90% or greater when optically aligned and compared using BLASTTM software (blastp) using default settings.

“**Specific Binding Agent.**” A “specific binding agent” is an agent that is capable of specifically binding to the mannosidases of the present invention, and may include polyclonal antibodies, monoclonal antibodies (including humanized 5 monoclonal antibodies) and fragments of monoclonal antibodies such as Fab, F(ab')2 and Fv fragments, as well as any other agent capable of specifically binding to the epitopes on the proteins.

“**Operably linked.**” A first nucleic acid sequence is “operably linked” with 10 a second nucleic acid sequence whenever the first nucleic acid sequence is placed in a functional relationship with the second nucleic acid sequence. For instance, a promoter is operably linked to a coding sequence if the promoter affects the transcription or expression of the coding sequence. Generally, operably linked DNA sequences are contiguous and, where necessary to join two protein-coding regions, 15 in the same reading frame.

“**Isolated.**” An “isolated” biological component (such as a nucleic acid or 20 protein or organelle) is a component that has been substantially separated or purified away from other biological components in the cell of the organism in which the component naturally occurs, i.e., other chromosomal and extra-chromosomal DNA, RNA, proteins, and organelles. Nucleic acids and proteins that have been “isolated” include nucleic acids and proteins purified by standard purification methods. The term also embraces nucleic acids and proteins prepared by recombinant expression 25 in a host cell, as well as chemically synthesized nucleic acids.

“**Recombinant.**” A “recombinant” nucleic acid is one having a sequence 30 that is not naturally occurring or has a sequence made by an artificial combination of two otherwise-separated, shorter sequences. This artificial combination is often accomplished by chemical synthesis or, more commonly, by the artificial manipulation of isolated segments of nucleic acids, e.g., by genetic engineering techniques.

“Transformed.” A “transformed” cell is a cell into which a nucleic acid molecule has been introduced by molecular biology techniques. As used herein, the term “transformation” encompasses all techniques by which a nucleic acid molecule might be introduced into such a cell, including transfection with a viral vector,
5 transformation with a plasmid vector, and introduction of naked DNA by electroporation, lipofection, and particle gun acceleration.

“Vector.” A “vector” is a nucleic acid molecule as introduced into a host cell, thereby producing a transformed host cell. A vector may include nucleic acid
10 sequences, such as an origin of replication, that permit the vector to replicate in a host cell. A vector may also include one or more selectable marker genes and other genetic elements known in the art.

“Glycosylation pattern.” The “glycosylation pattern” is the characteristic structure (including branch structure), number, or location of oligosaccharide
15 structures associated with a macromolecule, such as a protein.

“DNA construct.” The term “DNA construct” is intended to denote any nucleic acid molecule of cDNA, genomic DNA, synthetic DNA or RNA origin. The
20 term “construct” is intended to denote a nucleic acid segment that may be single- or double-stranded, and that may be based on a complete or partial naturally occurring nucleotide sequence encoding one or more of the mannosidase genes of the present invention. It is understood that such nucleotide sequences include intentionally manipulated nucleotide sequences, e.g., subjected to site-directed mutagenesis, and
25 sequences that are degenerate as a result of the genetic code. All degenerate nucleotide sequences are included within the scope of the invention so long as the mannosidase enzyme encoded by the nucleotide sequence maintains the ability to hydrolytically remove terminal mannoside residues.

30 “Mannosidase activity.” The phrase “mannosidase activity” describes the enzymatic catalysis of the hydrolytic removal of terminal mannoside residues.

“**Probes and primers.**” Nucleic acid probes and primers may be readily prepared based on the nucleic acid sequences provided by this invention. A “probe” comprises an isolated nucleic acid sequence attached to a detectable label or reporter molecule. Typical labels include radioactive isotopes, ligands, chemiluminescent agents, and enzymes. Methods for labeling and guidance in the choice of labels appropriate for various purposes are discussed, e.g., in Sambrook et al. (eds.), *Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual*, 2nd ed., vol. 1-3, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, Cold Spring Harbor, NY, 1989; and Ausubel et al. (ed.) *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology*, Greene Publishing and Wiley-Interscience, New York (with periodic updates), 1987.

“Primers” are short nucleic acids, preferably DNA oligonucleotides 15 nucleotides or more in length, that are annealed to a complementary target DNA strand by nucleic acid hybridization to form a hybrid between the primer and the target DNA strand, then extended along the target DNA strand by a DNA polymerase enzyme. Primer pairs can be used for amplification of a nucleic acid sequence, e.g., by the polymerase chain reaction (PCR) or other nucleic-acid amplification methods known in the art.

As noted, probes and primers are preferably 15 nucleotides or more in length, but, to enhance specificity, probes and primers of 20 or more nucleotides may be preferred.

Methods for preparing and using probes and primers are described, for example, in Sambrook et al. (ed.), *Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual*, 2nd ed., vol. 1-3, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, Cold Spring Harbor, NY, 1989; Ausubel et al. (ed.), *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology*, Greene Publishing and Wiley-Interscience, New York (with periodic updates), 1987; and Innis et al., *PCR Protocols: A Guide to Methods and Applications*, Academic Press: San Diego, 1990. PCR primer pairs can be derived from a known sequence, for example, by using computer programs intended for that purpose such as Primer (Version 0.5, 1991, Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research, Cambridge, MA). One of skill in the art will appreciate that the specificity of a particular probe or primer increases with the length of the probe or primer. For example, a primer comprising 20 consecutive nucleotides will anneal to a target with a higher specificity than a

corresponding primer of only 15 nucleotides. Thus, in order to obtain greater specificity, probes and primers may be selected that comprise, by way of example, 10, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 50 or more consecutive nucleotides.

5 **II. Methods of Producing Mannosidase 1A, 1B, and 1C**

A. **Cloning Nucleic Acid Sequences Encoding Mannosidase**

Provided with the nucleic acid sequences of the genes encoding the mannosidases 1A, 1B, and 1C (SEQ ID NOS: 1, 4, and 17, respectively), one of ordinary skill in the art will appreciate that several different methods can be used to isolate the genes and the cDNAs encoding the corresponding mannosidases. One example of such a method is the polymerase chain reaction (PCR) (U.S. Pat. No. 4,683,202 to Mullis; and Saiki et al., *Science* **239**:487-491, 1988).

When using PCR to isolate a sequence encoding the gene, a primer can be designed that targets the extreme 5' end of the sequence, and a second primer can be designed that targets the extreme 3' end of the sequence. For example the 5' primer (5'-GGYGGYCTNGGYGARTCNTTCTACGAGTA-3'; SEQ ID NO: 15) and the 3' primer (5'-GTANAGGTACTTNAGNGTCTCNGCNAGRHAGAA-3'; SEQ ID NO: 16) are used in a PCR (polymerase chain reaction) procedure to generate multiple copies of the gene. The copies are isolated by separation on an agarose gel. The fragment of interest is then removed from the gel, and ligated into an appropriate vector.

Alternatively, the gene can be created by engineering synthetic strands of DNA that partially overlap each other (Beaucage & Caruthers, *Tetrahedron Letters* **22**:1859-1869, 1981; Matthes et al., *Embo. J.* **3**:801-805, 1984). The synthetic strands are annealed and a DNA polymerase is used to fill in the single-stranded regions. The resulting synthetic double-stranded DNA molecule can be cloned into a vector.

For use as primers and probes, nucleic acid sequences can contain at least 15 contiguous nucleic acid molecules of either of the sequences shown in Seq. ID. No. 1 and SEQ ID NO: 4, or either of the complementary strands of the molecules shown in SEQ ID NO: 1 and SEQ ID NO: 4. The nucleic acid sequences are useful

for performing hybridization protocols, such as Northern blots or Southern blots as described in Sambrook et al., (eds.), *Molecular Cloning, A Laboratory Manual*, 2d ed., vol. 1-3, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y., 1989.

These hybridization protocols can be used to identify nucleic acid sequences
5 that are substantially similar to those shown in SEQ ID NOS: 1, 4, or 17. A successful hybridization to such sequences indicates that the analogous nucleic acid sequence hybridizes to the oligonucleotide probe that comprises at least a fragment of the sequences shown in SEQ ID NOS: 1, 4, or 17. Generally hybridization conditions are classified into categories, for example very high stringency, high
10 stringency, and low stringency. The conditions corresponding to these categories are provided below.

Very High Stringency (detects sequences that share 90% sequence identity)

Hybridization in	5x	SSC	at	65°C	16 hours
Wash twice in	2x	SSC	at	room temp.	15 minutes each
Wash twice in	0.2x	SSC	at	65°C	20 minutes each

High Stringency (detects sequences that share 80% sequence identity or greater)

Hybridization in	3x	SSC	at	65°C	16 hours
Wash twice in	2x	SSC	at	room temp.	15 minutes each
Wash twice in	0.5x	SSC	at	55°C	20 minutes each

Low Stringency (detects sequences that share greater than 50% sequence

identity)

Hybridization in	3x	SSC	at	65°C	16 hours
Wash twice in	2x	SSC	at	room temp.	20 minutes each

Mannosidase-encoding nucleic acid sequences according to the invention
30 also encompass mannosidase enzymes that differ in amino acid sequence from the mannosidase 1A, 1B, and 1C sequences of SEQ ID NOS: 1, 4, and 17, and that maintain mannosidase activity. Such proteins may be produced by changing the

cDNA nucleotide sequence of mannosidase 1A, 1B, or 1C, by changing the sequence of the respective genes using standard procedures such as site-directed mutagenesis, or by performing the polymerase chain reaction. The simplest modifications involve substituting one or more amino acids with other amino acids having similar biochemical properties. These so-called "conservative substitutions" usually have minimal impact on the activity of the resultant protein. Table 1 shows amino acids that may be substituted for an original amino acid in a protein and that are regarded as conservative substitutions.

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Table 1

Original Residue	Conservative Substitutions
ala	ser
arg	lys
asn	gln; his
asp	glu
cys	ser
gln	asn
glu	asp
gly	pro
his	asn; gln
ile	leu; val
leu	ile; val
lys	arg; gln; glu
met	leu; ile
phe	met; leu; tyr
ser	thr
thr	ser
trp	tyr
tyr	trp; phe
val	ile; leu

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More substantial changes in enzymatic function or other features may be obtained by selecting substitutions that are less conservative than those in Table 1, i.e., selecting residues that differ more significantly in their effect on maintaining: (a) the structure of the polypeptide backbone in the area of the substitution, for example, as a sheet or helical conformation, (b) the charge or hydrophobicity of the molecule at the target site, or (c) the bulk of the side chain. Substitutions that

generally produce the greatest changes in protein properties are those in which: (a) a hydrophilic residue, e.g., seryl or threonyl, is substituted for (or by) a hydrophobic residue, e.g., leucyl, isoleucyl, phenylalanyl, valyl, or alanyl; (b) a cysteine or proline is substituted for (or by) any other residue; (c) a residue having an 5 electropositive side chain, e.g., lysyl, arginyl, or histadyl, is substituted for (or by) an electronegative residue, e.g., glutamyl or aspartyl; or (d) a residue having a bulky side chain, e.g., phenylalanine, is substituted for (or by) one not having a side chain, e.g., glycine. The effects of these amino acid substitutions or deletions or additions may be assessed for mannosidase protein derivatives by analyzing the ability of the 10 respective modified polypeptide to catalyze the removal of terminal mannose residues.

Variant mannosidase cDNA or genes may be produced by standard DNA mutagenesis techniques, for example, M13 primer mutagenesis. Details of these techniques are provided in Sambrook et al. (ed.), *Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual*, 2nd ed., vol. 1-3, Ch. 15, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, Cold 15 Spring Harbor, NY, 1989, and Ausubel et al. (ed.) *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology*, Greene Publishing and Wiley-Interscience, New York (with periodic updates), 1987. By the use of such techniques, variants may be created that differ slightly from the mannosidase cDNA or gene sequences specifically disclosed, yet 20 that still encode a protein having mannosidase activity. DNA molecules and nucleotide sequences that are derivatives of those specifically disclosed herein and that differ from those disclosed by the deletion, addition, or substitution of nucleotides while still encoding a protein having mannosidase activity are comprehended by this invention. In their simplest form, such variants may differ 25 from the disclosed sequences by alteration of the coding region to fit the codon usage bias of the particular organism into which the molecule is to be introduced.

Alternatively, the coding region may be altered by taking advantage of the degeneracy of the genetic code to alter the coding sequence in such a way that, while the nucleotide sequence is substantially altered, it nevertheless encodes a protein 30 having an amino acid sequence identical or substantially similar to the mannosidase 1A and 1B sequences specifically disclosed in SEQ ID NOS: 3 and 6. For example, the fourth amino acid residue of the mannosidase 1A gene is alanine and is encoded

in the mannosidase 1A open reading frame (ORF) by the nucleotide codon triplet GCA. Because of the degeneracy of the genetic code, three other nucleotide codon triplets-GCT, GCC and GCG-also code for alanine. Thus, the nucleotide sequence of the mannosidase 1A ORF could be changed at this position to any of these three codons without affecting the amino acid composition of the encoded protein or the characteristics of the protein. Based upon the degeneracy of the genetic code, variant DNA molecules may be derived from the cDNA and gene sequences disclosed herein using standard DNA mutagenesis techniques as described above, or by synthesis of modified DNA sequences. Thus, this invention also encompasses nucleic acid sequences that encode either a mannosidase 1A or 1B protein but that vary from the disclosed nucleic acid sequences due to the degeneracy of the genetic code.

B. Vectors

The choice of expression vector depends in part on the type of host cell that will be used for the expression of the mannosidase enzyme. The promoter sequence used must be recognizable by the enzymes responsible for translation within the host cell. One of skill in the art will appreciate that there are a number of regulatory sequences known in the art that function in conjunction with bacterial host cells, plant host cells, insect host cells, yeast host cells, and fungal host cells.

Examples of constitutive plant promoters that may be useful for expressing the cDNA include: the cauliflower mosaic virus (CaMV) 35S promoter, which confers constitutive, high-level expression in most plant tissues (see, e.g., Odel et al., *Nature* **313**:810, 1985), nopaline synthase promoter (An et al., *Plant Physiol.* **88**:547, 1988); and the octopine synthase promoter (Fromm et al., *Plant Cell* **1**:977, 1989).

Examples of suitable promoters for use in filamentous fungus host cells are, for instance, the ADH3 promoter (McKnight et al., *Embo. J.* **4**:2093-2099, 1985) or the tpiA promoter (Blattner et al., *Science* **27**:1453-1474, 1997). Examples of other useful promoters are those derived from the genes encoding *A. oryzae* TAKA amylase, *Rhizomucor miehei* aspartic proteinase, *A. niger* neutral α -amylase, *A. niger* acid-stable α -amylase, *A. niger* or *A. awamori* glucoamylase (gluA),

5 *Rhizomucor miehei* lipase, *A. oryzae* alkaline protease, *A. oryzae* triose phosphate isomerase, or *A. nidulans* acetamidase. It is also possible that the native mannosidase promoter could be used to express the enzyme. Similarly, one of ordinary skill in the art will appreciate that there are several promoters available that can be used in insect expression systems (e.g., baculovirus) and bacterial expression systems.

To direct the enzyme into the secretory pathway of the host cell, a secretory signal sequence (also known as a leader sequence, "prepro" sequence or "pre" sequence) may be provided in the vector. The secretory signal sequence is joined to the DNA sequence encoding the enzyme in the correct reading frame. Secretory signal sequences are commonly positioned 5' to the DNA sequence encoding the enzyme. The secretory signal sequence may be the sequences normally associated with the enzyme or from a gene encoding another secreted protein.

10 The vector will also most likely contain a selectable marker. The selectable marker allows host cells that have been successfully transformed with the construct of interest to be identified. Selectable markers for use in plant cells are, for example Bosta^r, Kan^r, and various other herbicide resistance genes. Selectable markers for use in mammalian cells are, for example, Amp^r and Kan^r. Selectable markers for use in filamentous fungi include, for example, amdS, pyrG, argB, niaD and sC.

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C. Transformation

The DNA construct of the invention may be either homologous or heterologous to the host in question. If homologous to the host cell, i.e., produced by the host cell in nature, the construct typically will be operably connected to another promoter sequence or, if applicable, another secretory signal sequence and/or terminator sequence than in its natural environment. In this context, the term "homologous" is intended to include a cDNA sequence encoding the mannosidase 1A; 1B, or 1C native to the host *A. nidulans*. The term "heterologous" is intended to include a DNA sequence not expressed by the host cell in nature. Thus, the DNA sequence may be from another organism, or it may be a synthetic sequence.

The host cell of the invention, into which the DNA construct or the recombinant expression vector of the invention is to be introduced, may be any cell

capable of producing the disclosed mannosidase enzymes. Such cells include bacteria cells, yeast cells, fungal cells, insect cells, and higher eukaryotic cells.

Various methods of introducing the DNA construct into host cells are well known in the art. For example, in some species, the Ti plasmid of *A. tumefaciens* 5 can be used to transform host cells (Gouka et al., *Nature Biotechnology* 6:598-602, 1999), the host cell can also be transformed using gene blasting techniques and standard chemical treatments.

D. Production

10 The production of recombinant mannosidase 1A, 1B, or 1C may be accomplished using any of various transformed hosts, such as bacteria, plants, mammalian cell culture, whole mammals, insects, yeast, and fungi. As mentioned above, the selection of suitable promoter sequences and other regulatory elements will be specific to the host organism that will be used to produce the protein.

15 Additionally, within each group of potential hosts there are several species that can potentially be used to produce the protein. For example, filamentous fungi, e.g., *Aspergillus* spp., *Neurospora* spp., *Fusarium* spp. or *Trichoderma* spp., can be used to produce mannosidase. More specifically, individual strains of *Aspergillus*, such as *A. oryzae*, *A. nidulans*, or *A. niger*, can be used. The use of *Aspergillus* spp. for 20 the expression of proteins is described in, e.g., EP 272,277 and EP 230,023. Transformation techniques specific for the transformation of *F. oxysporum* have been described by Malardier et al., *Gene* 78:147-156, 1988.

25 Various yeast strains and yeast-derived vectors are commonly used for the expression of heterologous proteins. For instance, *Pichia pastoris* expression systems, obtained from Invitrogen (San Diego, California), may be used to practice the present invention. Such systems include suitable *Pichia pastoris* strains, vectors, reagents, transformants, sequencing primers, and media. Available strains include KM71H a prototrophic strain, SMD1168H a prototrophic strain, and SMD1168 a pep4 mutant strain (Invitrogen Product Catalogue, 1998, Invitrogen, Carlsbad CA).

30 Non-yeast eukaryotic vectors may be used with equal facility for expression of proteins encoded by modified nucleotides according to the invention. Mammalian vector/host cell systems containing genetic and cellular control

elements capable of carrying out transcription, translation, and post-translational modification are well known in the art. Examples of such systems are the well-known Baculovirus system, the ecdysone-inducible mammalian expression system that uses regulatory elements from *Drosophila melanogaster* to allow control of gene expression, and the Sindbis viral-expression system that allows high-level expression in a variety of mammalian cell lines, all of which are available from Invitrogen.

The cloned expression vector may be transformed into any of various cell types for expression of the cloned nucleotide. Many different types of cells may be used to express modified nucleic acid molecules. Examples include cells of yeasts, fungi, insects, mammals, and plants, including transformed and non-transformed cells. For instance, common mammalian cells that could be used for the invention include HeLa cells, SW-527 cells (ATCC deposit #7940), WISH cells (ATCC deposit #CCL-25), Daudi cells (ATCC deposit #CCL-213), Mandin-Darby bovine kidney cells (ATCC deposit #CCL-22), and Chinese hamster ovary (CHO) cells (ATCC deposit #CRL-2092). Common yeast cells include *Pichia pastoris* (ATCC deposit #201178) and *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* (ATCC deposit #46024). Insect cells include cells from *Drosophila melanogaster* (ATCC deposit #CRL-10191), the cotton bollworm (ATCC deposit #CRL-9281) and from *Trichoplusia ni* egg cell homoflagellates. Fish cells that may be used include those from rainbow trout (ATCC deposit #CLL-55), salmon (ATCC deposit #CRL-1681), and zebrafish (ATCC deposit #CRL-2147). Amphibian cells that may be used include those of the bullfrog, *Rana catesbeiana* (ATCC deposit #CLL-41). Reptile cells that may be used include those from Russell's viper (ATCC deposit #CCL-140). Plant cells that could be used include *Chlamydomonas* cells (ATCC deposit #30485), *Arabidopsis* cells (ATCC deposit #54069) and tomato plant cells (ATCC deposit #54003). Many of these cell types are commonly used and are available from the ATCC as well as from commercial suppliers such as Pharmacia (Uppsala, Sweden), and Invitrogen (San Diego, California).

Expressed protein may be accumulated within a cell or may be secreted from the cell. Such expressed protein may then be collected and purified. This protein

may then be characterized for activity and heat stability and may be used to practice any of the various methods according to the invention.

E. Isolation and Purification of Mannosidase 1A, 1B, and 1C

5 The mannosidases of the present invention can be isolated and purified from either transgenic host cells, or from wild-type host cells. The purification of the mannosidase enzymes of the present invention is achieved by first isolating the enzymes from the other cellular components and then purifying the enzymes.

10 1. Separation of Enzymes from Cellular Components

A variety of methods are known in the art for separating enzymes from other cellular components (complexes). Such methods can involve treatment with harsh chemicals and/or severe temperatures. Typically, protein complexes can be disrupted through the use of reducing agents, denaturants, freeze/thaw cycles, 15 mechanical shearing, decompression/compression, sonication, agitation, and/or increased temperatures. Protein complexes also can be disrupted using a combination of such techniques.

Reducing agents are capable of donating hydrogen atoms, and thus serve to cleave disulfide bonds. Reducing agents particularly disrupt disulfide bonds that 20 link two proteins or portions of the same protein together. Commonly used reducing regents are β -mercaptoethanol, dithiothreitol (DTT), and trialkyl phosphines. The ability of a reducing agent to disrupt a complex is increased by increasing the temperature at which a mixture of the reducing agent and complex is incubated.

Denaturants serve to relax the conformational structure of proteins. Any of 25 various denaturants can be employed to separate a protein from other cellular components. Examples of denaturants useful in conjunction with ion-exchange columns are urea and formamide. However, denaturants such as guanidine hydrochloride or guanidine thiocyanate may be useful for separating proteins from other cellular components in methods not involving an ion-exchange column. The 30 ability of a particular denaturant to relax a protein is enhanced by increasing the temperature at which the sample is incubated.

2. Purification of Enzymes from Cellular Components

Purification of enzymes from a crude lysate can be achieved by successive rounds of chromatography. In between each round of chromatography, the sample is assayed for enzymatic activity. Examples 7 and 8, below, describe activity assays 5 that can be used to monitor the recovery of mannosidase activity, respectively.

Typically, purification involves a multi-step procedure that includes well-known chromatographic techniques (Robyt and White, *Biochemical Techniques Theory and Practice*, Waveland Press, Inc., 1990). In such multi-step procedures, the enzymes are separated by exploiting their different physical characteristics. The following 10 discussion provides a broad description of various chromatography techniques that can be used in either a single-step process or in a multi-step process. A single type of chromatography can be repeatedly used (rather than changing the chromatography step each time) to purify the enzymes of the present invention.

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i. Column Chromatography

One method of isolating an enzyme according to the present invention is adsorption chromatography. This method exploits a protein's differential affinity for the medium in a column, compared to the protein's affinity for the eluting solvent. An example of a suitable medium for use in the column is hydroxyapatite 20 (crystalline calcium phosphate). Hydroxyapatite tends to adsorb acidic proteins that can be subsequently eluted with phosphate ions (phosphate ions have a high affinity for the calcium ions present in the hydroxyapatite).

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Ion-exchange chromatography (a variation of adsorption chromatography) can also be used to isolate enzymes according to the present invention. In ion-exchange chromatography, a solid adsorbent is used that has charged groups chemically linked to an inert solid. An ionic charge on an enzyme molecule causes the molecule to attach to an oppositely charged group on the solid support. The enzyme is subsequently released from the support by passing a solution containing an ion gradient over the solid adsorbent. Examples of solid supports are DEAE-cellulose, DEAE-SephadexTM, DEAE-Bio-GelTM, DEAE-SepharoseTM, DEAE-SephacrylTM, DEAE-TrisacrylTM, Q-SepharoseTM, ecteola cellulose, QAE-cellulose, 30

express ion exchanger Q, PEI-cellulose, and other polystyrene-based anion exchangers (most of these support materials are available from Pharmacia).

Another suitable type of adsorption chromatography is affinity chromatography. This method involves covalently linking to an inert solid support a ligand having a binding affinity for the subject enzyme. Commonly, the ligand is a specific binding agent that selectively binds the enzyme as the enzyme molecule contacts the solid support. Alternatively, the enzymes can be purified based upon their hydrophobicity. For example, alkyl chains can be linked to the inert support to supply sites for hydrophobic bonding interactions between the support and the enzyme. The eluting solvent contains a hydrophobic gradient.

High-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) is yet another suitable method. All of the major classes of chromatographic separations are compatible with this method, for example: adsorption, liquid-liquid partition, ion exchange, exclusion, and affinity chromatography can be used in conjunction with HPLC. Additionally, HPLC allows for reverse-phase and ion-pair partition. Reverse-phase partition is a relatively quick elution technique using a non-polar stationary phase and a polar mobile phase. Ion-pair partition involves pairing a charged polar substance with its counter-ion to create a less polar species that then flows through the column.

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ii. Electrophoresis

Electrophoresis is a well-established technique for the separation and analysis of mixtures by differential migration and separation of molecules in an electric field, based on differences in mobility of the molecule through a support. Many different forms of electrophoresis have been developed to permit the separation of different classes of compounds. These forms include paper and cellulose acetate electrophoresis, thin-layer electrophoresis, gel electrophoresis, immunoelectrophoresis, and isoelectric focusing. Paper electrophoresis operates best for the separation of protein molecules having a relatively low molecular weight, and gel electrophoresis is better for use in isolating enzymes with higher molecular weights. A variety of different matrices are available for forming gels, but matrices with a relatively small pore size are most suitable for the separation of

two proteins that have similar physical characteristics. Furthermore, proteins may be separated based upon their molecular size by conducting electrophoresis under dissociating conditions, for example using sodium dodecyl sulfate (SDS). SDS relaxes the protein conformation and masks the ionic charge of the protein, hereby leaving the relative length of the protein as the principal distinguishing characteristic for purposes of separation from other proteins.

Separation also can be achieved using immunoelectrophoresis, in which proteins are separated on a gel, based upon the relative charge-to-mass ratio and antigenicity of the proteins. The proteins are separated on a gel. An antibody, specific for the protein of interest, is added to a well created in the gel, and the antibody is allowed to diffuse through the gel. A precipitate forms in regions in which the antibody reacts with the protein.

Finally, the enzymes can be purified by isoelectric focusing (IEF). IEF is a type of electrophoresis in which the protein is placed on a substrate having a pH gradient. The protein moves under the influence of an applied electrical field until the protein reaches a zone in the pH gradient corresponding to the isoelectric point of the protein.

Specific examples of previously published mannosidase-purification techniques are available in Castellion and Breithauer, *Biochem. J.*, **324**:951-956, 1997; and Eades et al., *Glycobiology* **8**:17-33, 1998.

III. Mannosidase Specific Antibodies

Antibodies to the mannosidase enzymes of the present invention may be useful for purification of the enzymes. The provision of the amino acid sequences of the mannosidase 1A, 1B, and 1C enzymes allows for the production of specific antibody-based binding agents to these enzymes.

A. Production of an Antibodies to Mannosidase 1A, 1B and/or 1C

Monoclonal or polyclonal antibodies may be produced to either of the mannosidase enzymes, portions of the enzymes, or variants thereof. Optimally, antibodies raised against epitopes on these antigens will specifically detect the enzyme. That is, antibodies raised against the enzymes recognize and bind the

enzymes, but do not substantially recognize or bind to other proteins. The determination that an antibody specifically binds to an antigen is made by any one of a number of standard immunoassay methods, for instance, Western blotting, Sambrook et al. (ed.), *Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual*, 2nd ed., vol. 1-3, 5 Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, Cold Spring Harbor, NY, 1989.

To determine that a given antibody preparation (such as a preparation produced in a mouse against mannosidase 1A) specifically detects a mannosidase by Western blotting, total cellular protein is extracted from fungal cells and electrophoresed on an SDS-polyacrylamide gel. The proteins are then transferred to 10 a membrane (for example, nitrocellulose) by Western blotting, and the antibody preparation is incubated with the membrane. After washing the membrane to remove non-specifically bound antibodies, the presence of specifically bound antibodies is detected by the use of an anti-mouse antibody conjugated to an enzyme such as alkaline phosphatase; application of 5-bromo-4-chloro-3-indolyl phosphate/nitro blue tetrazolium results in the production of a dense blue compound 15 by immuno-localized alkaline phosphatase.

Antibodies that specifically detect mannosidase can be shown, by this technique, to bind substantially only the mannosidase band (having a position on the gel determined by the molecular weight of the mannosidase). Non-specific binding 20 of the antibody to other proteins may occur and may be detectable as a weaker signal on the Western blot (which can be quantified by automated radiography). The non-specific nature of this binding can be recognized by one skilled in the art by the weak signal obtained on the Western blot relative to the strong primary signal arising from the specific anti-mannosidase binding.

25 Antibodies that specifically bind to mannosidase belong to a class of molecules that are referred to herein as "specific binding agents." Specific binding agents that are capable of specifically binding to the mannosidases of the present invention may include polyclonal antibodies, monoclonal antibodies, and fragments of monoclonal antibodies such as Fab, F(ab')₂ and Fv fragments, as well as any 30 other agent capable of specifically binding to one or more epitopes on the proteins.

Substantially pure mannosidase 1A or 1B suitable for use as an immunogen can be isolated from transfected cells, transformed cells, or from wild-type cells.

Concentration of protein in the final preparation is adjusted, for example, by concentration on an Amicon filter device (Charlotte, North Carolina), to the level of a few micrograms per milliliter. Alternatively, peptide fragments of either of the mannosidases may be utilized as immunogens. Such fragments may be chemically synthesized using standard methods, or may be obtained by cleavage of the whole mannosidase enzyme followed by purification of the desired peptide fragments.

5 Peptides as short as three or four amino acids in length are immunogenic when presented to an immune system in the context of a Major Histocompatibility Complex (MHC) molecule, such as MHC class I or MHC class II. Accordingly,

10 peptides comprising at least 3 and preferably at least 4, 5, 6 or more consecutive amino acids of the disclosed mannosidase amino acid sequences may be employed as immunogens for producing antibodies.

Because naturally occurring epitopes on proteins frequently comprise amino acid residues that are not adjacently arranged in the peptide when the peptide sequence is viewed as a linear molecule, it may be advantageous to utilize longer peptide fragments from the mannosidase amino acid sequences for producing antibodies. Thus, for example, peptides that comprise at least 10, 15, 20, 25, or 30 consecutive amino acid residues of the amino acid sequence may be employed.

15 Monoclonal or polyclonal antibodies to the intact mannosidase, or peptide fragments thereof may be prepared as described below.

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B. Monoclonal Antibody Production by Hybridoma Fusion

Monoclonal antibody to any of various epitopes of the mannosidase enzymes that are identified and isolated as described herein, can be prepared from murine hybridomas according to the classical method of Kohler & Milstein, *Nature*, 256:495, 1975, or a derivative method thereof. Briefly, a mouse is repetitively inoculated with a few micrograms of the selected protein over a period of a few weeks. The mouse is then sacrificed, and the antibody-producing cells of the spleen isolated. The spleen cells are fused by means of polyethylene glycol with mouse myeloma cells, and the excess unfused cells destroyed by growth of the system on selective media comprising aminopterin (HAT media). The successfully fused cells are diluted and aliquots of the dilution placed in wells of a microtiter plate where

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growth of the culture is continued. Antibody-producing clones are identified by detection of antibody in the supernatant fluid of the wells by immunoassay procedures, such as ELISA, as originally described by Engvall, *Enzymol.* **70**:419, 1980, or a derivative method thereof. Selected positive clones can be expanded and 5 their monoclonal antibody product harvested for use. Detailed procedures for monoclonal antibody production are described in Harlow & Lane, *Antibodies, A Laboratory Manual*, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, New York, 1988.

C. Polyclonal Antibody Production by Immunization

10 Polyclonal antiserum containing antibodies to heterogenous epitopes of a single protein can be prepared by immunizing suitable animals with the expressed protein, which can be unmodified or modified, to enhance immunogenicity. Effective polyclonal antibody production is affected by many factors related both to the antigen and the host species. For example, small molecules tend to be less 15 immunogenic than other molecules and may require the use of carriers and an adjuvant. Also, host animals vary in response to site of inoculations and dose, with both inadequate or excessive doses of antigen resulting in low-titer antisera. Small doses (ng level) of antigen administered at multiple intradermal sites appear to be most reliable. An effective immunization protocol for rabbits can be found in 20 Vaitukaitis et al., *J. Clin. Endocrinol. Metab.* **33**:988-991, 1971.

Booster injections can be given at regular intervals, and antiserum harvested when the antibody titer thereof, as determined semi-quantitatively, for example, by double immunodiffusion in agar against known concentrations of the antigen, begins to fall. See, for example, Ouchterlony et al., *Handbook of Experimental* 25 *Immunology*, Wier, D. (ed.), Chapter 19, Blackwell, 1973. A plateau concentration of antibody is usually in the range of 0.1 to 0.2 mg/mL of serum (about 12 µM). Affinity of the antisera for the antigen is determined by preparing competitive binding curves, as described, for example, by Fisher, *Manual of Clinical Immunology*, Chapter 42, 1980.

D. Antibodies Raised by Injection of cDNA

Antibodies may be raised against the mannosidases of the present invention by subcutaneous injection of a DNA vector that expresses the enzymes in laboratory animals, such as mice. Delivery of the recombinant vector into the animals may be achieved using a hand-held form of the Biolistic system (Sanford et al., *Particulate Sci. Technol.* **5**:27-37, 1987, as described by Tang et al., *Nature* (London) **356**:153-154, 1992). Expression vectors suitable for this purpose may include those that express the cDNA of the enzyme under the transcriptional control of either the human β -actin promoter or the cytomegalovirus (CMV) promoter. Methods of administering naked DNA to animals in a manner resulting in expression of the DNA in the body of the animal are well known and are described, for example, in U.S. Patent Nos. 5,620,896 ("DNA vaccines against rotavirus infections"); 5,643,578 ("Immunization by inoculation of DNA transcription unit"); and 10 5,593,972 ("Genetic immunization"), and references cited therein.

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E. Antibody Fragments

Antibody fragments may be used in place of whole antibodies and may be readily expressed in prokaryotic host cells. Methods of making and using 20 immunologically effective portions of monoclonal antibodies, also referred to as "antibody fragments," are well known and include those described in Better & Horowitz, *Methods Enzymol.*, **178**:476-496, 1989; Better et al., in Streilein et al., eds., *Advances in Gene Technology: The Molecular Biology of Immune Disease & the Immune response (ICSU Short Reports)*, **10**:105, 1990; Glockshuber et al. 25 *Biochemistry* **29**:1362-1367, 1990; and U.S. Patent Nos. 5,648,237 ("Expression of Functional Antibody Fragments"), No. 4,946,778 ("Single Polypeptide Chain Binding Molecules"), and No. 5,455,030 ("Immunotherapy Using Single Chain Polypeptide Binding Molecules"), and references cited therein.

IV. Using Mannosidase

A. *In vitro*

The mannosidases of the present invention are useful for modifying the glycosylation pattern proteins *in vitro*. In particular, the enzymes of the present invention are useful for modifying target proteins. Target proteins are specific proteins that are the desired product of a process, for example, a glycoprotein that will be used as a therapeutic agent.

The *in vitro* modification of a target protein is accomplished by first obtaining one or more of the mannosidases of the present invention. The mannosidase may be purified to achieve specificity of action. The mannosidase is then placed in contact with the target protein, allowing for the modification of the glycosylation pattern of the target protein in a controlled, *in vitro* environment. *In vitro* methods of modifying the glycosylation pattern of a protein are well known in the art, and examples of such methods are provided in U.S. Patent No. 5,834,251 to Maras, et al., herein incorporated by reference.

B. *In vivo*

The glycosylation pattern of a protein, a broad class of proteins, or all glycosylated proteins in a host cell can be modified *in vivo* through the use of molecular biology techniques. The provision of the disclosed nucleic acid sequences allows for both the up-regulation of the disclosed mannosides as well as the down-regulation of the disclosed mannosidases.

Up regulation of the protein can be accomplished by transforming a cell with a vector containing one or more of the disclosed mannosidase genes under the control of a promoter. The promoter can be for example a constitutive promoter, a tissue specific promoter, or an inducible promoter. Thus, the RNA encoding the enzyme(s) is produced and translated into the protein. The increased level of mannosidase in the cell will then alter the glycosylation pattern of proteins produced by the cell.

Conversely, the production of mannosidase by a cell can be down-regulated by transforming the cell with a vector encoding an antisense molecule, or a catalytic

nucleic acid molecule that targets the mannosidase specific nucleic acid sequences. This technique will likely cause the cell to produce less mannosidase and therefore, glycoproteins from the cell will be processed to a lesser extent.

In contrast to the above-described *in vitro* methods, *in vivo* methods can be
5 used to produce multiple different proteins in the same cell, all of which display altered glycosylation patterns.

V. Examples

Example 1

10 **Identification of *Aspergillus nidulans* α -1, 2-mannosidase 1A.** Four previously published Class 1 α -1,2-mannosidase protein sequences were aligned, and conserved blocks were identified for PCR primer design. Selection of sequences for primer design was based on high sequence identity between the four proteins, and low codon redundancy. A codon-preference table for *A. nidulans* was
15 used to decrease the codon redundancy in the primers and to select codons more likely to be found in the genomic DNA. Two primers were selected that contained the least redundancy and the highest possible annealing temperature. Amplification of *A. nidulans* genomic DNA with these two primers yielded a 900-bp product. This PCR product was cloned and the DNA sequence was determined for several
20 representative clones. The DNA sequence of clone pGEM42-9 was used to search the GenBank database for sequence homology (BLAST TM search). Several high-scoring matches were found with other Class 1 α -1,2-mannosidases, confirming that a portion of the Class 1 α -1,2-mannosidase from *A. nidulans* had been amplified.

The 900-bp PCR fragment was used as a template for the PCR amplification
25 of an α -1,2-mannosidase-specific radiolabeled probe for library screening. An EMBL-3 library of genomic sequences was screened and several positive plaques were re-screened to isolate a single lambda clone containing the entire α -1,2-mannosidase gene. Two *Bam*H1 subclones were identified by Southern hybridization, using the same PCR-derived probe, that contained the 5' and 3' ends
30 of the gene. These subclones were sequenced by manual and automated sequencing, using a combination of primer walking with specifically designed primers and restriction enzyme subcloning using universal sequencing primers, yielding 2- to 5-

fold redundancy sequencing of the full-length gene and several thousand base pairs (bp) of flanking sequence (Fig. 1).

Example 2

5 **Characterization of the α -1, 2-mannosidase 1A gene.** A BLAST™ search of the α -1,2-mannosidase 1A gene revealed two open reading frames (ORFs) that contained significant homology to the Class 1 α -mannosidases. These ORFs were separated by a region of DNA containing several stop codons, which indicated an intron sequence. This intron sequence was verified by reverse-transcription PCR
10 (RT-PCR) from total RNA and comparison to the genomic DNA. The amplification product derived from the RNA, using a PCR primer pair that flanked the putative intron, was 50 bp shorter than the similar PCR product derived from genomic DNA. Analysis of the putative intron revealed several typical sequence motifs which are characteristic of eukaryotic intron sequences. The 5'-splice site (5'-GTAAGT-3'
15 (SEQ ID NO: 7)) fit the consensus sequence for filamentous fungi (5'-GTANGT-3' (SEQ ID NO: 8)), and the 3'-splice site (5'-TAG-3') fit the consensus 5'-YAG-3' (Ballance, *Molecular Industrial Mycology – Systems and Applications for Filamentous Fungi*, Leon and Berka (eds.), Dekker, Inc., 1991; Ballance, *Yeast* 2:229-236, 1986; Gurr et al., *Gene Structure in Eukaryotic Microbes*, Kinghorn
20 (ed.), IRL Press, 1987). The intron also contained an internal lariat sequence (5'-GCTGAC-3' (SEQ ID NO: 9)), located 15 bp upstream of the 3'-splice site, which fit the consensus 5'-(G/A)CT(G/A)AC-3' (SEQ ID NO: 19).

25 The deduced amino acid sequence of the *A. nidulans* α -1,2-mannosidase 1A gene was aligned with other published α -mannosidases in order to identify potential introns that do not shift the reading frame and do not contain stop codons but do increase the size of the putative gene product. In addition to the previously confirmed intron, two other regions of the ORF that did not align with other published sequences seemed to be “extra” DNA sequences. These regions were represented by large “gaps” in the multiple sequence alignment for all of the other
30 α -1,2-mannosidase genes used in the alignment. To determine whether these sequences represented introns, or encoded a polypeptide sequence novel to the *A. nidulans* α -mannosidase, primer pairs were designed that flanked these regions and

used in RT-PCR. The amplification products derived from the RNA (RT-PCR) were the same size as the amplification products derived from genomic DNA, indicating that there were no introns present in these regions. These regions did not contain consensus splice motifs, though sometimes introns were present with less-conserved splice sequences (Gurr et al., *Gene Structure in Eukaryotic Microbes*, Kinghorn (ed.), IRL Press, 1987).

The position of the translational start codon of the first ORF was determined through examination of the DNA sequence near the stop codon that defined the 5' end of the ORF. A potential in-frame start codon (ATG) occurred 42 bp after the beginning of the ORF, while the next in-frame ATG codon was located 423 bp downstream. The first ATG codon was thus a good candidate for the translational start codon. Translation originating at the first start codon would produce a protein product with an N-terminus larger than other fungal α -mannosidases, but similar in size to the N-termini of mammalian and insect Class 1 α -mannosidases.

Though no strong consensus sequence surrounds the translational start codon in filamentous fungi (Ballance, *Yeast* 2:229-236, 1986), there is a preference (97%) for a purine at position -3. The putative start codon for this gene has a G at position -3, and thus conforms to this rule. There is a TATA-like element at position -47 and several pyrimidine-rich blocks within 100 bp upstream of the putative start codon. These pyrimidine rich regions are often found in fungal promoters and may influence the level of transcription (Ballance, *Yeast* 2:229-236, 1986). The 5'-untranslated region does not contain a CAAT-box upstream of the TATA-like element, but this is not unusual for fungal promoters.

The α -1,2-mannosidase 1A protein contained several charged N-terminal amino acids representative of a typical signal sequence motif. A Kyte-Doolittle hydropathy plot showed that the signal sequence was followed by a highly hydrophobic region approximately 15-16 amino acids in length, likely encoding a transmembrane domain, while the rest of the protein was relatively hydrophilic (Fig. 3). This α -1,2-mannosidase 1A protein from *A. nidulans* likely forms a type II transmembrane protein, which is a characteristic of other Class 1 α -1,2-mannosidases.

Example 3

Identification of *A. nidulans* α -1,2-mannosidase 1B. The deduced coding region of the *A. nidulans* α -1,2-mannosidase 1A gene was used to search the *A. nidulans* EST Sequencing Project Database using the BLAST™ algorithm to determine if there were multiple β -1,2-mannosidase genes were expressed in this organism. A sequence tag, containing 200 bp of information, was identified that showed significant similarity, but not 100% identity, to the α -1,2-mannosidase 1A gene, and thus represented a separate gene. This sequence tag was used to design new PCR primers specific for the novel gene (α -1,2-mannosidase 1B). The primers were designed in regions that, based on multiple sequence alignments of published α -1,2-mannosidase sequences, would not be expected to be well conserved, and thus would be gene-specific. The 200-bp amplification product from these primers was radiolabeled and used to probe the *A. nidulans* genomic library to select the full-length gene.

A single lambda clone containing the full-length α -1,2-mannosidase 1B gene was isolated and subcloned into plasmid DNA. A single 5.6-kb *Bam*HI clone containing the full-length gene was identified by Southern analysis. A series of restriction enzyme resections of the 5.6-kb clone were derived and the sequence was determined by automated fluorescence sequencing using the universal priming sites of the cloning vector. The full-length gene and several hundred bases of flanking sequence were sequenced with 2- to 4-fold redundancy at each base position (Fig. 2).

Example 4

Characterization of α -1,2-mannosidase 1B. The genomic DNA sequence for the *A. nidulans* α -1,2-mannosidase 1B gene was searched for open reading frames that showed homology to other α -1,2-mannosidase genes. The gene contained three open reading frames with homology with Class 1 α -1,2-mannosidases separated by two regions that contained several stop codons and caused a shift in the reading frame containing α -1,2-mannosidase homology. The two regions that disrupted the open reading frame were analyzed to identify

potential introns. Comparison of the reading frame of the gene with the *A. satoi* and *P. citrinum* genes verified that these regions appeared to contain extra DNA sequences, since the alignment seems to be disrupted near these regions. These regions were searched for consensus intron-splice sites. The first potential intron did 5 indeed contain 5' and 3' consensus splice sites as well as an internal lariat consensus sequence. The sequence 5'-GTACGT-3' (SEQ ID NO: 11) fit the filamentous fungal consensus for a 5'-splice site (5'-GTANGT-3'), and the sequence 5'-TAG-3' fit the consensus for the 3'-splice site (5'-YAG-3'). This intron also contained the internal lariat sequence 5'-ACTGAC-3' (SEQ ID NO: 12) located 11 bp upstream of the 3'-splice site. The second putative intron also contained a consensus 5'-splice site (5'-GTACGT-3'), a consensus 3'-splice site (5'-CAG-3'), and an internal lariat consensus (5'-ACTGAC-3') which was located 11 bp upstream of the 3'-splice site. The two putative introns were verified by RT-PCR. In both cases, the RNA-derived 10 amplification product was smaller than the DNA-derived amplification product, and the size difference corresponded to the predicted size of each intron. Interestingly, 15 the position of each intron in the coding region is correlated directly to two of the introns found in the *P. citrinum* α -1,2-mannosidase gene, although the intron sequences themselves did not appear to be conserved. The N-terminal region of the first ORF likely contained the translational start site, which would probably be the 20 first methionine after the stop codon defining the beginning of the ORF.

Comparison of the coding region of this ORF with the *A. satoi* and *P. citrinum* α -1,2-mannosidase genes showed that the putative translational start site correlated 25 positionally with the start sites of these genes. This start codon contained a purine at the -3 position, as expected (Ballance, *Yeast* 2:229-236, 1986). A TATA-like element was found at position -76 (TATAT), and the upstream region contained several CT-rich tracts in the sense strand. Seven copies of the sequence CTCC 30 appeared in the 100-bp region upstream of the TATA-like element and could represent an important promoter element. Additionally, there was a 7-bp direct repeat located immediately upstream of the TATA-like element (CCTCAT). The N-terminus of this protein contained a typical signal sequence for insertion into the endoplasmic reticulum and, as seen in a Kyte-Doolittle hydropathy plot (Fig. 3), contained a 10-15 bp hydrophobic region which likely encoded a transmembrane

domain. This protein, like other Class 1 α -1,2-mannosidases, is likely a type-II transmembrane protein normally localized in the ER or Golgi apparatus.

Example 5

5 **Identification of *A. nidulans* α -1,2-mannosidase 1C:** A second lambda clone containing the full length α -1,2-mannosidase 1C gene was recovered and two non-overlapping *Bam*H1 subclones (4 kb and 6 kb) were isolated, which together contained the gene and flanking regions. Again, the sequence across the *Bam*H1 subcloning junction was verified to eliminate the possibility of missing sequence.
10 The gene and several hundred bp of flanking region were fully sequenced (Accession #: AF233287).

Example 6

15 **Comparision of α 1,2-mannosidase 1A, 1B, and 1C sequences:** The DNA sequences of the three Class I α -1,2-mannosidases were analyzed to determine the amino acid coding sequence, including determination of the correct reading frame, identification of potential intron sequences, and identification of the correct translational start codon for each gene. A BLAST search of the α -1,2-mannosidase IA gene revealed two open reading frames (ORFs) separated by a region of DNA containing several stop codons which could indicate the presence of an intron sequence. To verify the presence of an intron at this site, PCR products spanning the putative intron were amplified from reverse-transcribed RNA (RT-PCR), cloned into vector and sequenced. Comparison of the α -mannosidase IA sequence with RT-PCR sequence verified the presence of a 50 bp intron at the expected splice junction.
20 The intron contained a 5'-splice site (5'-GTAAGT-3') which matched the consensus sequence for filamentous fungi (5'-GTANGT-3'), and a 3'-splice site (5'-TAG-3') which matched the consensus 5'-YAG-3' (Ballance, Transformation Systems for Filamentous Fungi and an Overview of Fungal Gene Structure, In Leong, S.A. and Berka, R.M. (eds.), *Molecular Industrial Mycology-Systems and Applications for Filamentous Fungi*, Dekker, Inc., New York, NY, pp. 1-29, 1991, 1986; Gurr et al.,
25 The Structure and Organization of Nuclear Genes of Filamentous Fungi, In Kinghorn (ed.), *Gene Structure in Eukaryotic Microbes*, IRL Press, Oxford, WA, pp.

93-139, 1987). The intron also contained an internal lariat sequence (5'-GCTGAC-3'; SEQ ID NO: 9), located 15 bp upstream of the 3'-splice site, consistent with the consensus 5'-(G/A)CT(G/A)AC-3'(SEQ ID NO: 19) for fungal introns.

The deduced amino acid sequence of the *A. nidulans* α -1,2-mannosidase 1A gene was aligned with other published α -mannosidases to determine whether there might have been other introns which did not shift the reading frame and did not contain stop codons but did increase the size of the putative gene product. Two additional regions of the first ORF did not align with other published sequences and appeared as large 'gaps' in the multiple sequence alignment for all of the other α -mannosidase genes used in the alignment. To determine whether these sequences represented introns or encoded polypeptide sequence novel to the *A. nidulans* α -mannosidase, RT-PCR products were compared to genomic PCR products. The PCR amplification products derived from both RNA and genomic DNA, using primer pairs which flanked these regions, were the same size, indicating that there were no introns present in these regions. Although introns can sometimes be present with less conserved splice sequences (Gurr et al., The Structure and Organization of Nuclear Genes of Filamentous Fungi, In Kinghorn (ed.), *Gene Structure in Eukaryotic Microbes*, IRL Press, Oxford, WA, pp. 93-139, 1987), these regions did not contain consensus splice motifs.

The α -1,2-mannosidase 1B gene contained three open reading frames separated by two regions which contained several stop codons and caused a shift in the reading frame. These regions were searched for consensus intron splice sites. Both of the putative introns contained consensus 5'- and 3' - splice sites and a consensus internal lariat sequence. The two putative introns were verified by RT-PCR. In both cases, the RNA-derived amplification product was smaller than the DNA-derived amplification product, and the size difference corresponded to the predicted size of each intron. Sequencing of the RT-PCR products verified the presence of a 51 bp and 53 bp intron at the respective splice sites. While the position of each intron in the coding region correlated directly to two of the introns found in the *P. citrinum* α -1,2-mannosidase gene, the intron sequences themselves were not conserved. The α -1,2-mannosidase 1C gene contained a single contiguous open

reading frame and did not contain any consensus intron sequences. This gene did not appear to contain any intron sequences.

The authentic start codon (ATG) of the α -1,2-mannosidase 1A gene was inferred by sequence context of the putative start codons, combined with protein sequence alignments with known α -mannosidase proteins. A potential start codon (ATG) occurred in frame 42 bp after the stop codon which defined the 5' end of the first ORF, while the next in frame ATG codon was 423 bp downstream. This first codon was thus a better candidate for the translational start codon. Translation originating at this start codon would produce a protein product with an N-terminus which was larger than other fungal α -mannosidases, but similar in size to the N-termini of mammalian and insect Class I α -mannosidases. Although there is not a strong consensus sequence surrounding the translational start codon in filamentous fungi (Ballance, *Yeast* 2:229-236, 1986), there is a preference for a purine at position -3 (97%). The putative start codon for this gene had a G at position -3, and thus conforms to this rule. Placement of the translational start codon can also be inferred from sequence context with respect to promoter elements and the transcription start site. There was a TATA-like element at position -47 of the putative start site and several pyrimidine rich blocks within 100 bp upstream of the proposed start codon. These pyrimidine rich regions are often found in fungal promoters and may influence the level of transcription (Ballance, *Yeast* 2:229-236, 1986). The 5' non-translated region did not contain a CAAT-box upstream of the TATA-like element, but this is not unusual for fungal promoters.

The first potential translational start codon in the α -1,2-mannosidase 1B gene occurred 42 bp into the first ORF. Comparison of the coding region of this ORF with the *A. satoyai* and *P. citrinum* α -1,2-mannosidase genes showed that the position of the putative translational start site correlated with the start sites of these genes. This start codon also contained a purine at the -3 position, a TATA-like element at position -76, and several CT-rich blocks in the sense strand. The first potential translational start codon of the α -mannosidase 1C gene occurred 38 bp into the ORF. The start site also contains a purine at position -3 and CCAAT motif at -221, but did not contain a clearly definable TATA box.

The putative coding region of the α -1,2-mannosidase 1A gene encodes a 816 amino acid protein with a predicted molecular weight (MW) of 91 kD. This is somewhat larger than other Class I α -mannosidases, which range in size from 53 kD for the *P. citrinum* α -mannosidase I (Yoshida et al., *Biochim. Biophys. Acta* 1263:159-162, 1995) to 73 kD for the *H. sapiens* α -mannosidase 1B (Bause et al., *Eur. J. Biochem.* 217:535-540, 1993), *M. musculus* α -mannosidase 1A (Lal et al., *J. Biol. Chem.* 269:9872-9881, 1994) and α -mannosidase 1B (Herscovics et al., *J. Biol. Chem.* 269:9864-9871, 1994), and *S. scrofa* α -mannosidase I (Bieberich et al., *Eur. J. Biochem.* 246:681-689, 1997). The coding region of the α -1,2-mannosidase 1B gene encodes a 505 aa protein with a predicted MW of 56 kD, while the α -1,2-mannosidase 1C gene encodes a 586 aa protein with a predicted MW of 65 kD. Both of these predicted sizes are within the range of currently identified Class I α -mannosidases.

The putative α -1,2-mannosidase 1A, 1B, and 1C proteins contained several charged N-terminal amino acids representative of a typical signal sequence motif downstream of the putative start site. Kyte-Doolittle hydropathy plots showed that the signal sequences were followed by highly hydrophobic regions approximately 15-16 amino acids in length, while the remainder of the C-termini were relatively hydrophilic. These proteins likely form type II transmembrane proteins, which is a characteristic of other Class I α -1,2-mannosidases.

Example 7

Mannosidase activity assays: Crude protein extracts were obtained from protoplasts and from culture filtrates. Secreted proteins were precipitated from 1.5 mL of culture filtrate by saturation with ammonium sulfate. After centrifugation, the protein extract was resuspended in 500 mL 0.01 M phosphate buffer (pH 6.0) and precipitated again using ammonium sulfate (to ensure removal of sugar residues which would interfere with mannosidase assays). Proteins were resuspended in 100 μ L 0.01 M phosphate buffer (pH 6.0) and 27 μ L of the extract was used in the mannosidase assay. Intracellular proteins were extracted from protoplasts, which were prepared as in Eades et al., *Glycobiol.* 8:17-33, 1998. Protoplasts were

centrifuged and resuspended in 200 μ L 0.01 M phosphate buffer (pH6.0)/1% octylthioglucoside, and resuspensions were vortexed vigorously to ensure complete protoplast lysis. Cellular debris was removed by centrifugation, and 27 μ L of the lysate was used in mannosidase assays.

5 Mannosidase assays were performed using the disaccharide Man- α -1,2-Man- α -OCH₃ as a substrate in a coupled enzyme assay as described earlier (Scaman et al., *Glycobiol.* **6**:265-270, 1996), with some modifications. Digestion of the substrate was performed in a 30 μ L final volume containing 27 μ L of crude extract in 0.01M phosphate buffer (pH6.0) and 3 mL 100 mM disaccharide Man- α -1,2-
10 Man- α -OCH₃ incubated at 37°C for 3 hours. Detection of released mannose was achieved by addition of 30 μ L Tris-HCl (pH7.6) and 240 μ L of developing solution, containing glucose oxidase (55 U/mL), horseradish peroxidase (1 U/mL) and o-dianisidine dihydrochloride (70 μ g/mL), incubated at 37°C for 3 hours. Absorbance measurements at 450 nm determined final color change. Standard blanks included
15 all components of the colrimetric reaction, plus the substrate. As a control, enzyme extracts which were not used in the mannosidase digestion were subjected to the colorimetric reaction, to determine the absorbance which is due to the extract itself, and not due to mannose release. These values were subtracted from the absorbance values of the assays. Free mannose was used as a standard. All assays were
20 performed in triplicate and the mean and standard deviation was calculated for each sample. Mannosidase activity was standardized by comparison with total protein in the crude enzyme extracts, and was defined as the amount of mannose released from substrate per μ g of total protein per hour. Protein concentrations were determined by the Bradford method (Bradford, *Anal. Biochem.* **72**:248-254, 1976) using BSA as a
25 standard.

The method described above was used to verify that α -1,2-mannosidases (1A, 1B, and 1C; SEQ ID NOS: 3, 6, and 18, respectively) were actively expressed intracellularly. These assays were performed to determine the secreted and/or intracellular α -1,2-mannosidase activity levels. To determine secreted α -1,2-
30 mannosidase activity, crude protein extracts were obtained from liquid culture filtrates. Intracellular proteins were extracted from fungal protoplasts using a

detergent buffer. Significant α -1,2-mannosidase activity was found in the intracellular protein extract (28.16 nmol mannose released from substrate/ μ g total protein/h; SD = 4.45), whereas very little activity was found in the extracellular extracts (0.77 nmol/ μ g/h; SD = 0.74). This is consistent with the hypothesis that the
5 Class I α -1,2-mannosidase genes from *A. nidulans* encode type-II transmembrane proteins which are expressed intracellularly.

Example 8

10 **Enzyme and protein assays.** La et al., *Glycobiol.* 8:981-995, 1998, described a protocol that can be used to assay for mannosidase activity. This protocol involved assays for testing the activity of two separate mannosidases.

Briefly, La et al., *Glycobiol.* 8:981-995, 1998, assayed for mannosidase activity using the disaccharide Man- α -1,2-mana-O-CH₃, as a substrate and the glucoseoxidase/peroxidase coupled enzyme assay as described earlier (Scaman et
15 al., *Glyco. Biol.* 6:265-270, 1996) with some modifications. Assays testing mannosidase activity in crude culture medium, or purified enzyme preparations were performed in flat-bottomed 96-well microtiter plates in a 25- μ L total reaction volume containing 0.01 M potassium phosphate, pH 6.0, 2-10 mM Man- α -1,2-mana-O-CH₃ and 5-15 mL of enzyme solution at 37°C for 30 minutes, or as specified.
20 The reaction was terminated by adding 25 μ L of 1.25 M Tris-CL, pH 7.6.

The La et al., *Glycobiol.* 8:981-995, 1998, also provided an additional assay, that was used to test the activity of a second mannosidase. This second mannosidase was assayed in culture medium following 10-fold concentration using a Centricon 30 ultrafiltration membrane (Amicon). Assays were performed in 0.5- μ L microfuge tubes in 30 μ L total reaction volume containing 0.01 M potassium phosphate, pH
25 6.0, 2-10 mM Man α 1,2 Man α -O-CH₃, and 15-24 μ L of concentrated culture medium at 37°C for 2 hours, or as specified. The reaction was terminated by heating to 100°C for 5 minutes followed by centrifugation at 16,000 $\times g$ for 5 minutes. The supernatants (25 μ L) were transferred to microtiter plate wells containing 25 μ L of
30 1.25 M Tris-CL, pH 7.6. In both cases, the amount of mannose released was detected by incubation with 250 μ L of “developing solution” containing glucose oxidase (55 U/mL), horseradish peroxidase (1 purpurogallin unit/mL), and *o*-

dianisidine dihydrochloride (70 µg/mL) for 3 hours and 37°C. The final color intensity was determined by measuring the absorbance at 450 nm on a Bio-Tek (Winooski, VT) microtiter plate reader. Free mannose was used as a standard. One unit of mannosidase activity is defined as the amount of enzyme that releases 1 nmol of mannose in 1 minute at 36°C.

Example 9

α1,2-Mannosidase activity assays. Herscovics, and Jelinek-Kelly, *Anal. Biochem.* **166**:85-89, 1987, describe an assay that can be used to test mannosidase activity from cell lysates. This assay can be used to test the activity of mannosidases of the present invention.

Briefly, lysates from Sf9 cells (Acc. # CRL-1711) were used for assays of α-1,2-mannosidase activity with [³H]Man₉GlcNAc as described previously (Herscovics, and Jelinek-Kelly, *Anal. Biochem.* **166**:85-89, 1987) with some modifications. The cells were seeded into 25-cm² tissue culture flasks (Corning Glass Works, Corning, NY) at a density of 3 million cells per flask and infected at a multiplicity of 10 plaque forming units (PFU) per cell with either a recombinant baculovirus encoding the Sf9 α-1,2-mannosidase cDNA under the control of the polyhedrin promoter, or wild-type baculovirus as a control. The cells were harvested by centrifugation at selected times after infection, washed with 100 mM Na⁺-MES (pH 6.0), and lysed using 1 µL per 30,000 cells of the same buffer containing 0.5% Triton X-100 with or without 80 mM EDTA. Five microliters of the lysates were used in each reaction of the α-1,2-mannosidase activity assays. Cell lysates for negative control reactions were carried out in a total volume of 40 µL containing 75 mM Na⁺-MES (pH 6.0), 0.0625% Triton X-100, and 6000 c.p.m. of [³H]Man₉GlcNAc. In addition, some reactions contained CaCl₂, MgCl₂, EDTA. The reactions were incubated at 37°C for 2.5 hours, boiled for 2 minutes, and 250 µL of a 5 mM solution of CaCl₂, MgCl₂, and MnCl₂, and 175 µL of a 2.25 µg/µL solution of concanavalin A (Boehringer-Mannheim, Indianapolis, IN) in 3.8 M NaCl were added to each reaction. The solutions were vortexed gently and incubated at room temperature for two minutes. Then, 1 mL of 25% PEG-8000 was added and the solutions were vortexed and incubated for another 5 minutes at room

temperature. The solutions were centrifuged for 2 minutes at 10,000 x g, 1 mL of the supernatant was added to 4 mL of a scintillation cocktail (Ultima Gold; Packard Instrument Company, Meriden, CT), and radioactivity was measured using a liquid scintillation counter (model LS 6000ICl Beckman Instruments, Inc., Fullerton, CA).
5 (Herscovics and Jelinek-Kelly, *Anal. Biochem.* **166**:85-89, 1987).

Strains, Media and Growth Conditions: *Aspergillus nidulans* sporecolor mutant SM222 was grown in CYM liquid medium (10 g glucose; 2 g bactopeptone; 1.5 g casamino acids; 1 g yeast extract; 10 mL 100X salt solution, 1 mL 1000X trace elements, 10 mL 100X vitamin solution, and 10 mL 100X adenine solution per litre). Stock solutions (100X salt, 100X vitamin, 1000X trace elements, 100X adenine) were described in Kalsner et al., *Glycoconjugate J.* **12**:360-370, 1995. Strains were maintained on CYM agar, and spore suspensions were obtained by washing cultured CYM agar plates with 8 mL 0.001% Tween 80. Mycelia for DNA isolations were obtained by inoculating 500 mL liquid CYM agar with 10^8 spores, and incubating 24 hours at 30°C with constant agitation (200 rpm).

Oligonucleotide Primer Design: The forward primer MANFOR2B was designed by reverse translation of the protein sequence GGLGESFYEY (SEQ ID NO: 13), and the reverse primer MANREV3B was designed from the complement of the reverse translation of the sequence FXLAETLKLY (SEQ ID NO: 14). These protein sequences were conserved between the α -1,2-mannosidase protein sequences of *S. cerevisiae* (Camirand et al., *J. Biol. Chem.*, **266**:15120-15127, 1991), *Mus musculus* 1A (Lal et al., *J. Biol. Chem.*, **269**:9872-9881, 1994; Acc. # U04299), *Homo sapiens* 1A (Bause et al., *Eur. J. Biochem.*, **217**:535-540, 1993; Acc. # X74837), and rabbit liver (Lal et al., *J. Biol. Chem.*, **269**:9872-9881, 1994). A codon usage table compiled for *A. nidulans* was used to aid in nucleotide selection at degenerate sites.
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DNA Isolation and PCR Amplification: Total genomic DNA was extracted from finely ground freeze-dried mycelia of *A. nidulans* strain SM222. Approximately 400 mg of mycelia were vortexed with 2.5 mL of 50 mM EDTA,
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0.2% SDS, and centrifuged for 10 minutes. Then, 85 µL of 3 M KOAc, 5 M acetic acid were added to the supernatant. Following a 20-minute incubation on ice, the suspension was re-centrifuged and DNA was isopropanol-precipitated from the supernatant. After resuspension in 100 µL TE (10 mM Tris pH 7.5, 1 mM EDTA),
5 the DNA was extracted once with phenol, twice with chloroform/isoamyl alcohol (24:1) and ethanol precipitated. Each PCR reaction consisted of 10-100 ng of genomic DNA, 50 pmol of each primer, 10 mM Tris-HCl (pH 8.3), 1.5 mM MgCl₂, 50 mM KCl, 0.01% gelatin, 0.1% Triton X-100, 200 µM each of dATP, dCTP, dTTP, and dGTP, and 2 units *Taq* DNA polymerase (Perkin-Elmer, Norwalk, Connecticut) in a final volume of 100 µL. Amplification was performed in two stages using a Perkin-Elmer thermal cycler. Five cycles at a lower stringency (56°C) were followed by 30 cycles at higher stringency (63°C). The PCR products were eluted from 1% low-melting-point agarose, cloned into T-Vector (Promega, Madison, Wisconsin) using the T-Vector cloning system and sequenced with
10 Universal Forward and M13 Reverse primers (Amersham International, Buckinghamshire, England).

Library Construction and Screening: The cloned PCR products were used as a template to produce a radiolabeled PCR probe for library screening. Briefly, the
20 PCR reactions were performed as previously described, except that only 100 µM dCTP was used and 0.825 µL α-³²P-dCTP (5 µCi) was added to the reactions (reduction of the dCTP concentration prior to addition of the radiolabeled nuclide reduces error due to base misincorporation). The radiolabeled PCR products were purified using the Wizard™ PCR Prep Kit (Promega) and scintillation counted to
25 assess radioactivity.

A genomic library of *A. nidulans* (SM222) sequences was constructed by digesting genomic DNA with *Bam*HI and ligating the resulting fragments into the similarly digested lambda DNA vector EMPL-3. Concatemers of the ligated DNA were packaged using the Gigapack™ II (Stratagene, La Jolla, California) *in vitro*
30 packaging system. Approximately 10⁵ recombinant lambda plaques were immobilised on nylon membranes (Genescreen Plus™, Dupont, Wilmington, Delaware) and hybridized with the radiolabeled PCR product generated from *A.*

nidulans. Single hybridizing clones were selected and rescreened. Lambda DNA was isolated with the Wizard™ Lambda DNA Extraction Kit (Promega), digested with restriction enzymes, and subcloned into the pUC18 cloning vector.

5 **DNA Preparation and Sequencing of *A. nidulans* α-1, 2-mannosidase 1A:**
Subclones, from the *A. nidulans* library, that contained the full-length α-1,2-mannosidase genes were identified by Southern analysis and sequenced. Initial manual sequencing of the α-mannosidase 1A gene was performed according to the dideoxynucleotide method using the T7 sequencing kit (Pharmacia). Initial
10 sequence data were obtained with the universal priming sites, and with specific sequence primers (primer walking). Final sequence data were provided by subcloning the fragments using various restriction enzymes and sequencing with an ABI373 automated fluorescent sequencer (Applied Biosystems, Foster, California). Open reading frames were identified and aligned with known α-1,2-mannosidase
15 sequences. The α-mannosidase 1B gene was sequenced by cloning restriction fragments of the positive lambda subclone into BlueScript II™ cloning vector (Stratagene, La Jolla California) and sequencing on an ABI373 sequencer, using the universal priming sites of the vector.

20 **Identification of Introns:** Total RNA was extracted from fresh mycelia grown in 150 mL liquid media using the guanidine isothiocyanate method (TRIzol, Molecular Research, Cincinnati, Ohio). Approximately 1 gram of fresh mycelia harvested by suction filtration was homogenized with 6 mL of TRIzol reagent, and incubated at 30°C for 10 minutes. To the homogenate, 1.2 mL chloroform was
25 added, and the mixture was shaken vigorously for 15 seconds, incubated at 30°C for 2 minutes and centrifuged at 3000 rpm. The upper aqueous phase was removed and 3 mL isopropanol were added to precipitate the RNA. After incubation at 30°C for 10 minutes, the RNA was pelleted by centrifugation and washed with 70% ethanol/diethylpyrocarbonate (DEPC). The RNA pellet was resuspended in 30 µL
30 H₂O/DEPC and 5 µL were used for cDNA preparation and PCR amplification.

Reverse-transcriptase PCR was performed using Superscript II™ reverse transcriptase (Gibco BRL) for first-strand cDNA synthesis using an oligo-dT primer

followed by PCR amplification of the cDNA. The oligo-dT primer was annealed to the RNA by adding 1 μ L of oligo-dT primer (500 μ g/mL) to 5 μ L of RNA (approx. 1-3 μ g) and 6 μ L of H₂O/DEPC. The mixture was heated to 70°C for 10 minutes and then quickly chilled on ice. Reverse transcription was achieved by addition of 4 5 μ L "First Strand Buffer" (250 mM Tris-HCl pH 8.3, 375 mM KCl, 15 mM MgCl₂), 2 μ L 0.1 M dithiothreitol (DTT), 1 μ L 10 mM dNTPs, and 1 μ L (200 U) Superscript II™ reverse transcriptase, followed by incubation at 42°C for 50 minutes. After first-strand cDNA synthesis, the RNA was digested by the addition of 1 μ L (2 U) RNAase H, and incubated at 37°C for 20 minutes. The cDNA was 10 used to amplify regions containing putative introns for comparison with genomic DNA amplification.

Sequence Comparison: The Class-1 α -mannosidase protein sequences used in the sequence comparisons were obtained from GenBank as follows:

15 *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* (Camirand et al., *J. Biol. Chem.*, **266**:15120-15127, 1991; Acc. # M63598), *Aspergillus satoi* (Inoue et al., *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, **1253**:141-145, 1995; Acc. # D49827), *Penicillium citrinum* (Yoshida and Ichishima, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, **1263**:159-162, 1995; Acc. # D45839), *Ophiostoma novo-ulmi* (C.J. Eades and W.E. Hintz, unpublished; Acc. # AF129495), *Drosophila melanogaster* 20 (Kerscher et al., *Dev. Biol.*, **168**:613-626, 1995; Acc. # X82640), *Spodoptera frugiperda* (Kawar et al., *Glycobiol.* **7**:433-443, 1997; Acc. # AF005035), *Homo sapiens* 1A (Bause et al., *Eur. J. Biochem.*, **217**:535-540, 1993; Acc. # X74837), *Homo sapiens* 1B (Tremblay et al., *Glycobiol.* **8**:585-595, 1998; Acc. # AF027156), *Mus musculus* 1A (Lal et al., *J. Biol. Chem.* **269**:9872-9881, 1994; Acc. # U04299), 25 *Mus musculus* 1B (Herscovics et al., *J. Biol. Chem.*, **269**:9864-9871, 1994; Acc. # U03457), and *Sus scrofa* (Bieberich et al., *Eur. J. Biochem.*, **246**:681-689, 1997; Acc. # Y12503). These sequences were aligned using the ClustalW algorithm (Thompson et al., *Nuc. Acid. R.* **22**:4673-4680, 1994) included in the DNAStar computer package (DNAStar, Madison Wisconsin). The sequence similarity matrix 30 and dendrogram were also generated with DNAStar.

Having illustrated and described the principles of the invention in multiple embodiments and examples, it should be apparent to those skilled in the art that the

invention can be modified in arrangement and detail without departing from such principles. We claim all modifications coming within the spirit and scope of the following claims.

We Claim:

1. A purified protein having mannosidase activity, comprising an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of:

5 (a) an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOS: 3, 6 and 18;

(b) an amino acid sequence that differs from those specified in (a) by one or more conservative amino acid substitutions; and

10 (c) amino acid sequences having at least 60% sequence identity to the sequences specified in (a).

2. A specific binding agent, that binds to the purified protein of claim 1.

15 3. An isolated nucleic acid, molecule encoding a protein according to claim 1.

4. A recombinant nucleic acid molecule, comprising a promoter sequence operably linked to a nucleic acid sequence according to claim 3.

20 5. A cell, transformed with a recombinant nucleic acid molecule according to claim 4.

6. The transformed cell of claim 6, wherein the cell is selected from the group consisting of: an insect cell, a yeast cell, an algae cell, a bacterial cell, a mammalian cell, and a plant cell.

7. A transgenic fungus, comprising a recombinant nucleic acid according to claim 4.

8. A method for altering the glycosylation pattern of a macromolecule, comprising contacting the macromolecule with a purified protein according to claim 1.

5 9. The method of claim 8, wherein contacting the macromolecule is performed *in vitro*.

10 10. A method for producing a macromolecule having an altered glycosylation pattern, comprising:

(a) providing a transformed cell according to claim 4; and
(b) allowing the transformed cell to produce the macromolecule.

11. An isolated nucleic acid molecule, comprising a sequence selected from the group consisting of:

15 (a) at least 15 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1;
(b) at least 20 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1;
(c) at least 30 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID
20 NO: 1;
(d) at least 15 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 4;
(e) at least 20 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 4;
(f) at least 30 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID
25 NO: 4;
(g) at least 15 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 17;
(h) at least 20 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 17; and
30 (i) at least 30 contiguous nucleotides of the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 17.

12. A method for altering the glycosylation pattern of a macromolecule in a sample, comprising:

- (a) adding a purified protein according to claim 1 to the sample;
- (b) incubating the sample with the purified protein; and
- 5 (c) allowing the purified protein to hydrolytically remove at least one terminal mannoside residue from a macromolecule in the sample.

13. A method for isolating a nucleic acid sequence encoding a mannosidase, comprising:

- 10 (a) hybridizing the nucleic acid sequence under high-stringency conditions to at least 50 contiguous nucleotides of a sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOS: 1, 4, and 17; and
- (b) identifying the nucleic acid sequence as one that encodes a mannosidase.

15 14. A mannosidase identified by the method of claim 13.

Abstract

Mannosidase enzymes and use of such enzymes to alter the glycosylation patterns of macromolecules are disclosed. Also disclosed are the nucleic acid sequences encoding the mannosidase enzymes.

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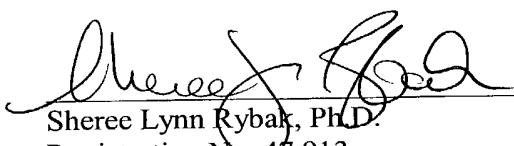
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Lys Leu Thr Asp Gly Cys Ile Trp Thr Thr Asp Asn Ser Pro Leu Gly

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L Q T
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K E L
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E L A
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Figure 1D

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Figure 1E

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Figure 1G

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Figure 1H

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V S L D E Y V L
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intron 1 N T
E A H
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Figure 1J

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Figure 2A

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Figure 2B

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A G L V D D S R V D V
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Figure 2C

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H P S T
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N V N A
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A E V L K Y S F L T F
A P
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GCTCCTGGTACG**

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intron 2

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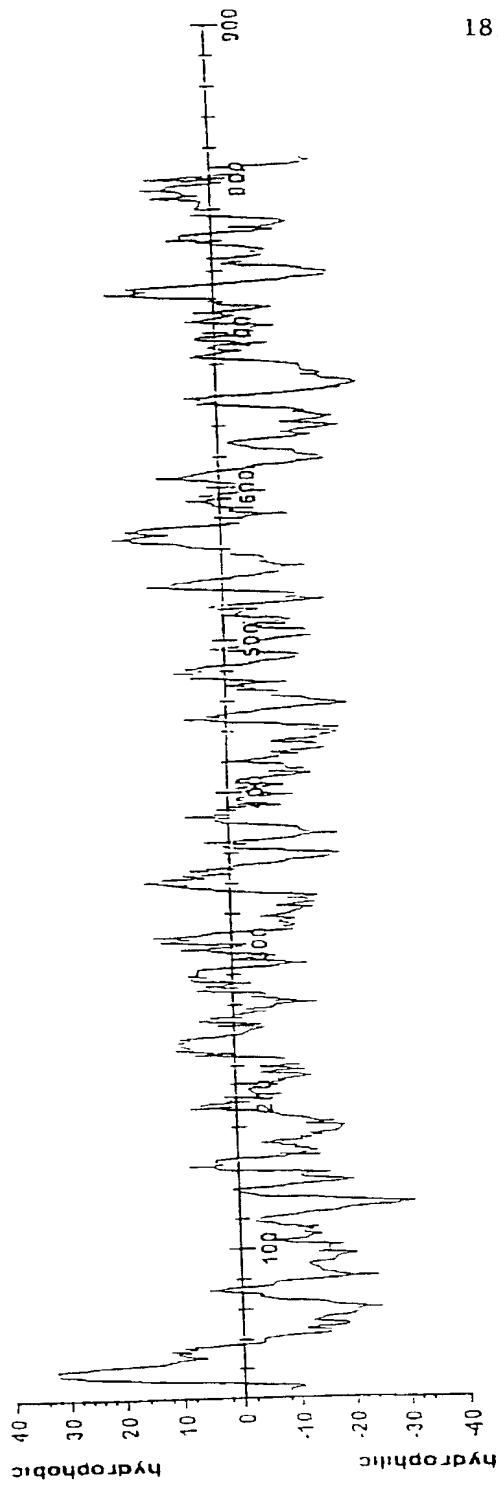
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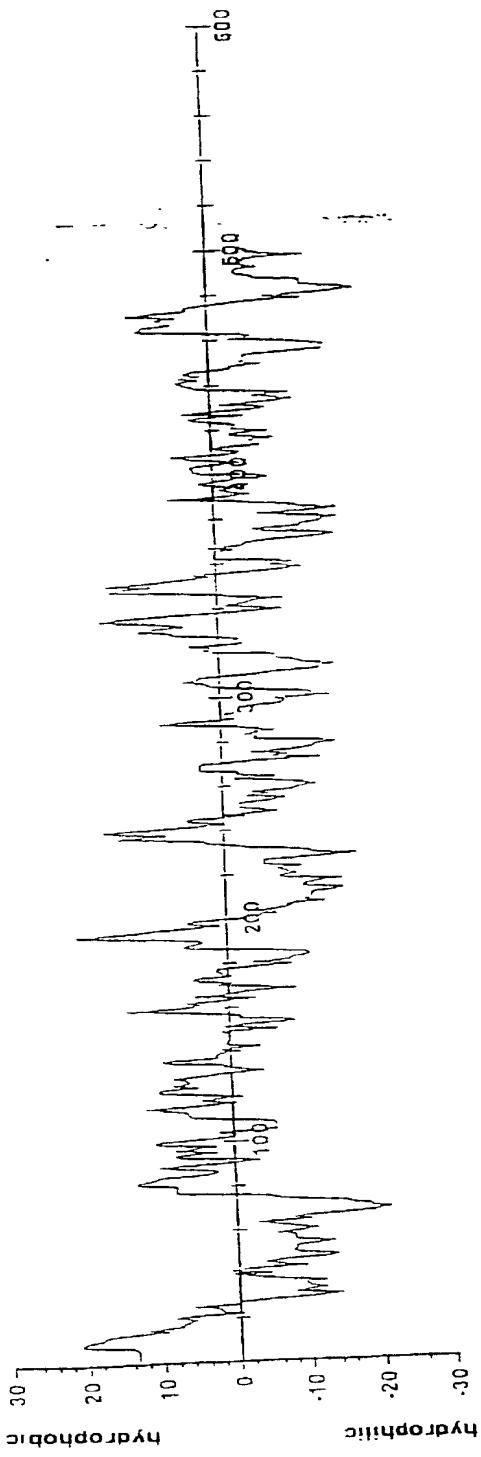
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FIGURE 3A



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FIGURE 3B



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4-A.nidulans 1B					70	66	27	27	26	28	28	28	28
5-A.zatoi						72	26	26	29	29	30	30	29
6-P.citrumen							25	26	26	28	28	28	27
7-D.melanogaster								49	42	43	42	43	43
8-S.frugiperda									42	41	43	41	42
9-Human 1A										58	85	57	82
10-Human 1B											60	94	60
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FIGURE 4
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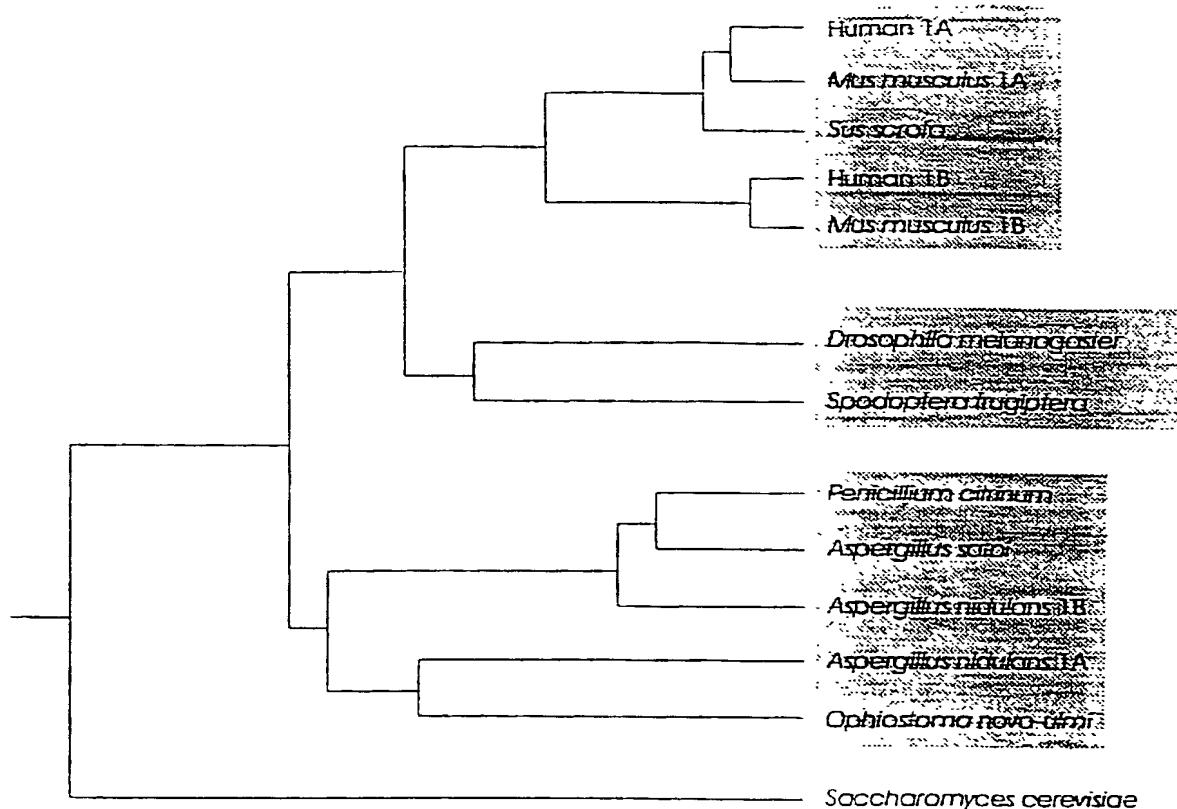


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Figure 6A

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Figure 6B

**COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
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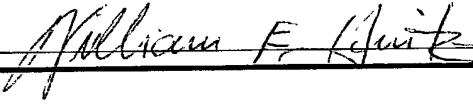
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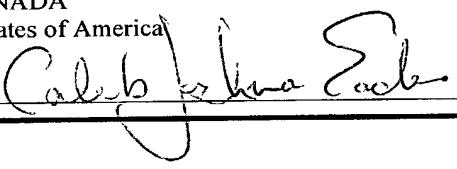
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